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CHAPTER L

MR. FRANK LAWFORD offended his family by three things. He turned author; he adopted liberal opinions in politics; he married a poor and nameless wife. Any one of those would have been bad enough, according to the hereditary notions of the Lawford family; but all these combined in one person was an unimaginable delinquency which the Lawfords could not forgive. But in order that our reader may have a more definite idea of this family, which had considered itself, par excellence, sans reproche, we must go back to the time of Peter Lawford, the old squire.

Peter Lawford, and his ancestors before him, had been members of the squirearchy of Lescestershire for some hundreds of years. The chancel vault was full of the bones of the Lawfords, male and female; and the church walls were covered with monumental tablets in marble and brass, commemorating their virtues and their greatness. The Lawfords of the fifteenth century endowed the grammar school; the Lawfords built the alms-houses; the Lawfords had given, and still gave doles of beef and food to the poor at Christmas; they had always sat on the magisterial bench; they were in all trusts of bridges and turnpike roads for their part of the county. Lawfords also had sat in Parliament: they had served their king and country in the army and on sea; and, according to their belief, they served God also, by providing out of their own family a Lawford to occupy the living of Lawford, which, of course, was in their gift-a comfortable way it was of serving God, for the living had always been a good one, and, at the time of our story, amounted to £300 a year. But whatever the Lawfords of former times had been as to wealth.

Peter Lawford, when he came into possession of the estate, found that its revenues were somewhat encumbered. Peter was the second son, and had been brought up to the law, for which he always entertained the highest regard; holding it as his firm opinion that, had fate left him to pursue his own course, he should have risen to the highest Eminence. But fate made a country kentleman of him; and as it is a bruch easier and safer thing to regret the loss of greatness than to achieve it, Peter sat down contentedly on the broad lands of Lawford, to try to rid himself of the incumbrances which he never exposted to find. The older Lawford. had been a speculator before the true time for profitable speculation by and therefore won for himself the character of insanity, because he laid down in his park an rafant rallroad, on which he had Libered hard to perfect self-procling carriages. He built relocitudes and constructed balloons, ful, poor man, succeeded in nothing. He was one of those men with limmerings of truth before the age is prepared to receive it; precursors of discoveries on the very verge of their birth. Had Mr. Lawford lived fifty years later he would have made his fortune and benented society; as it was, he impoverished his family estate, and gained the reputation to himself of being brimful of erotchets, if not actually insane; and, what was still more disastrous, lost his life by the falling of a heavy beam, which had been inadequately fastened for the support of some ponderous machin-

The world said that Mr. Peter Lawford, now the head of the family, was a strong-minded man; he believed so himself, hay, as we have hinted before, he had the highest possible idea of his own abilities, and in settling down on The estate resolved to clear off all incumbrances, and never to marry but with a woman of substance. It is wonderful what credit Peter's mode of action gained for him in the world; he was the very model of prudence and practical wisdom; he was an oracle at quarter sessions where his law knowledge really stood him in stead. He was counsellor both to old and young, and soon found that not only did he stand high among fathers and uncles, and brothers and nephews, but among all ladies whether married or single. Having enjoyed all his triumph for ten long years, he all at once took it into his head to think about being married. Perhaps he might be a little stimulated to this by hearing one certain May morning that no less than six ladies of his acquaintance were to be married that summer. Ah, poor Peter, and one of the six, the very Miss Rutherford, the belle of the county, about whom he had been thinking for these last four years. Without exactly about whom he had been thinking for these last four years. Without exactly knowing what was his exact train of thought, we can only say that upon that very morning Peter rode over to the Rutherfords to ascertain his fate.

He found the brother of the young lady at home, and asked immediately from him if the report of his sister's approaching marriage was really true. Mr. Rutherford replied that he believed so, that he hoped so, but that the marriage settlements were not yet drawn.

Lawford walked up and down the room, as men do whose minds are agitated. made one or two ineffectual attempts to speak, and then resolutely mastering his feelings, begged that Mr. Rutherford would never betray the emotion which he witnessed; that from the bottom of his soul be wisked nothing but the happiness of his amiable sister; that he had wished to clear his estate of the incumbrances with which his unfortunate brother had burdened it-he had hoped in a year or two-that it was a very painful thing to him-that his friend would understand him-and now the report of Miss Rutherford's approaching marriage had reached him. He had ridden over to ascertain the truth-and now, of course, he had nothing more to say. He offered his friend his hand, and apparently much affected, was about to leave the room.

"My good fellow," said Rutherford, "this is unfortunate-but you must not go thus. Sit down, I will say a word to you in confidence. Of this Colonel Wynn I know little, of his family, still less; he is an acquaintance which my wife and Alice made last winter at Bath. You, on the contrary, are an old friend-our families have been con-

nected by marriage, and I will candidly tell you that I would rather that Alice had married you than any other man I know.

Lawford's countenance brightened. "Might he understand," he asked, "that the young lady herself entertained any sentiment of regard towards him?"

Mr. Rutherford refused to give a definite answer to that question, but added that if his friend were inclined to try his luck, he could honestly tell him that with all his heart he wished him success.

On that very day, as a matter of course, Mr. Lawford offered hand and heart to the fair Alice Rutherford. The lady blushed, wept, looked lovelier than ever; spoke of the awkward position of her affairs; of Colonel Wynn whom she esteemed as a friend, of his violent temper, of her dread of fearful consequences; wept again almost hysterically, and confessed with maiden shame, that Mr. Lawford was by far the dearer of her two lovers.

As she had anticipated, not many days clapsed before the tempestuous Colonel Wynn made his appearance at Lawford, the end of which was that two challenges were sent by him in one day; the new lover. The duels were fought, from which Mr. Rutherford and the colonel came off scathless, while Mr. Lawford received an injury in the left elbow, which after confining him for a few weeks left him with a stiff joint for the rest of his days. But this affair brought to him no other unpleasant consequences; on the contrary, he never apparently stood so high in the opinion of his country neighbors. as when he first made his appearance again amongst them, with his arm in a sling, and as the amanced bridegroom of the beautiful Alice Rutherford.

"PERMIT HE TO BE YOUR ATTENDANT, AGNEE," SAID MR. LATIMER, TAKING HER HAND,

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CHAPTER IL YEARS went on, and prosperity seemed to belong to the Lawfords. All went smoothly and brightly as. dons street done solve !bodslide althe Author's DAUGHTER. sall to wanted to be and your vist of

county. Elections were long and fierce in as his own on the day of purchase. those days, and the stories which old people tell of the bribery and corruption which took place, make those of the present time, the merest child's play. And of all the elections, that which Mr. Lawford carried has been always Lawfords were making a good figure in Lonconsidered one of the most memorable. Little did Lawford think, when the idea first crossed gared themselves for the sake of their purchase, his brain of offering himself, of the sum that it cost him; but such things have been before and since. The successful candidate finds, as the young Franklin did, that he has paid too dearly for his whistle.

Peter Lawford took his seat in parliament, and that part of the world which knew him ford, like her husband, prided herself on her wore off his life and his hair grew gray, and his good sense and good management, and in order, as she said, that the expense of two establishments might be saved, a house was taken in London, the estate put into the hands of a who was now ninety-two. trusty bailiff, the house shut up and left in charge of a couple of servants on board-wages; and Lawford determined now in his parliamentary career, to turn his law education to certain current, till, in the very half-year when account, and win to himself he knew not how Peter Lawford's parliamentary life came to a much honor and advantage. For tenlong years close without any golden sunset, a little scholar would give her an influence and a consideration did he occupy his place in parliament, never brought into the school the scarlet-fever, and which suited her much better. One characterabsenting himself from a single sitting, and distinguished himself by his hot and unflinching adherence to every principle of tory policy, either at home or abroad. His speeches were remarkable for two things, their soporfic quality and their great length-some witty mem- over. bers having been known to put their night-caps on when he rose to his feet. But this moved ren were buried, a post letter brought the long not Mr. Lawford a jot, nor did he despond af- expected news-old Humphrey Lawford was ter ten years of unrewarded service. If the dead. ministry had remained in office only six months longer, he believed that he should have risen to the peerage. But the whigs came into office, and, after an unsuccessful attempt to be returned in the new parliament, he came to Lawford and a country life, very much the worse was gone forever from him. for his ten years of public labor.

Mrs. Lawford was by no means a lady of an economical turn, although she had talked of save the expense of two houses and two estab- each other in a long embrace, they wept tolishments. But the establishment in London gether, cost far more than that in the country could have done; and then there was the winter at Bath or Cheltenham for the benefit of the lady's health, and the cottage in the Isle of Wight or at Worthing for the children and their attendants. All this dipped deeply into the annual rents of Lawford, which were yet not clear from the late Mr. Lawford's debts and consumed, as if they had fallen into a vortex, all the emoluments, and fees, and bribes, which dropped one way and another into the pockets of the parliamentary man of business.

fathers a much poorer, and a much more anx- son; and what if he lived to the age of old ious man than he had left it. Besides which, Humphrey? and he might do so, sailing thus, he had been compelled, in order to pay off the like a ship after a stormy voyage, into a haven most pressing of his election debts, to sell the of blessed repose. What prospect was there next presentation of the living of Lawford, then for poor Adolphus? "Poor Adolphus!" which was then held by his uncle, at that time sighed they whenever they thought of the receighty years of age, and a free liver into the tory: "Poor Adolphus!" whenever they thought bargain. It was a ready means of raising on the young man himself; for even they, with money, and fifteen thousand pounds was thus all the partiality of parents were forced to conobtained. He had three sons of his own, the fess, that Adolphus was the least gifted of all second of whom was, as a matter of course, their offspring, and who, on the fat living of destined Frank for the bar. destined to the church, and for this living in Lawford, might have kept a curate, and with time this young man was ready for his clerical ily, might have gone respectably through life, duties, that fate or favorable circumstances but who otherwise could not look even to be anwould have cleared the way for him. But fate other man's curate. Another vexatious thing

on a summer's day, when, all at once, some- had sunk all his worldly wealth, even more than | forty years' housekeeper. Not one penny body put it into Mr. Lawford's head to he then possessed, to purchase this next prehimself as tory candidate for the sentation, which every one reckoned as good

It is a proverb, that if you give an old woman an annuity, she will live for ever; so said the Rev. Mr. Colville a thousand times, only varying the proverb to suit his own case. The don, while the poor Colvilles, who had begwere struggling in a small curacy, with a large family and the most oppressive worldly anxieties. Old Humphrey Lawford would not die! It was in vain that Mr. and Mrs. Colville looked over the list of deaths in the daily papers; die he would not, and Mr. Colville had no influential connections to assist him. His very heart expected great things from him. Mrs. Law- was sick of hope deferred; and so the bloom wife lost her cheerful looks and her placid temper, and it almost seemed to them that they would die themselves before this old incumbent

One, two, three years went on, and the school that the poor curate had now kept for some years, ebbed and flowed with a very unone scholar, the son of his best supporter, died together with the youngest of his own children, the pet and darling of his cheerless heart. The cup of their misfortune and their misery seemed full. The last drop was in and it already flowed

The evening, however, on which the child-

"Blessed be the Lord, inasmuch as his hand is yet stretched out to save us!" ejaculated the heart-stricken clergyman, as he laid down the letter, feeling, nevertheless, in the sorrowful the preaching of a man whom she and all her depths of his heart, as if the time of rejoicing

"Oh that poor Jeanie had but lived!" groaned the mother, as she read the letter which her husband had laid down. Her eye caught her leaving Lawford and removing to London to husband's; heart understood heart, and clasping

CHAPTER III.

THE very day on which the Colvilles, in deep mourning, and with their grief-subdued countenances, took possession of their long-expected home, the Lawford family came back to the old hall. It was a sore thought to Mr. Lawford and his wife, that here was a man hardly arrived at middle life, at that very moment come into the possession of that heritage which, from his childhood upward, they Mr. Lawford came back to the home of his had regarded as the patrimony of their second particular; nor had he any doubt but by the the patronage and forbearance of his own fam-

came to his nephew or his family! Mr. Lawford literally begrudged the cost of family mourning.

The Lawford family were four. George, the eldest, a young man, whose gay college life had caused his father great displeasure, and was now placed rather on the shady side of his affections. The second was the only daughter Camilla, somewhat turned of twenty, a very wellbred and highly accomplished young lady, as every one said, and her father's favorite. Camilla was much more remarkable for her wit and her talents than for her beauty, being the plainest of the family-the only one, indeed, who had not inherited the fine Rutherford eyes and cast of countenance. Her complexion was dark; her eyes gray, with a keen intelligence in them, perfectly in accordance with her well-cut and firmly-closing mouth.

"It is a pity that Camilla is not a boy!" said her mother, when she saw how, by an absolute love of rule, and a natural force of character, she, as a little girl, had governed her brothers and those about her. As Camilla grew up, very little was said of her amiability. She was too cold, too selfish, too fond of power, ever to be much loved; but love was not the thing that she very much cared about. If she had power, that istic, however, there was in her, which was praiseworthy; and that was the kindness and attention she always bestowed upon her smally gifted brother Adolphus. Adolphus seemed ever more dependent upon her than upon his parents; he looked up to her as to a superior being, and she took his part, with all her natural strength of will, in all his follies and his weaknesses. Of course, Camilla could not be expected to look upon the newly-arrived family at the rectory with any forbearance; she was more vehement against them than her parents, and declared that she would never sit under

Five years younger than Adolphus was Frank, the last of the family, and the most highly gifted. As a little child, he had been the priviliged disturber of his father's study, even in the most occupied days of his parliamentary life. He was his mother's darling, and was taken out with her shopping and making morning calls, when the prudent matrons of her acquaintance thought that he would have been much better occupied over his lessons. But Frank learned, Heaven knows how, although the good clergyman, with whom he was said to be a weekly boarder, complained quite as much of non-attendance as he would have done of non-payment.

family had such good reason to dislike.

"Frank has a splendid head, if there be any truth in phrenology," said his father, many a time, putting aside the bright curls from his beautiful forehead; "and it will be his own fault if he do not make a figure in the world."

"Frank has the noblest of hearts," said his mother, with a tearful eye, to her friends; "he is the flower of our flock, and will outshine his elder brothers in intellect; but that is of less consequence, because they may be reckoned as provided for, and therefore it is but just that my boy has Benjamin-portion of natural gifts."

Mr. Lawford remembering with pleasure his own life as a law-student, and cherishing the idea that he himself was a Lord-Chancelor lost,

"He will make a figure there," said his mother, "for he has natural eloquence, quite a style of his own, and the keenest insight into everything. He was born for a lawyer."

People said, and wise people too, that the was hard, and favorable circumstance was none; there was, and it was a very vexations thing; old foolish admiration of his parents would be the for at the very time when the second son, Humphrey Lawford, who had been a bachelor ruin of young Lawford. But there are some Adolphus, the destined incumbent of Lawford, all his days, and never had spent the half of natures that take a deal of spoiling, and Frank was in his twenty-first year, the old incumbent, his income, and who had indulged in but one was one of them. He was not spoiled at or incumbrance, rather, was in his ninty-fourth, luxury, that of buying books, had left behind him seventeen, even though he knew well enough a hale old man, who prided himself on reading a most unsatisfactory will. He had left his that he was considered much cleverer than without spectacles. It was a serious thing to library to his own college; his money in the his elder brothers, and that it was the general the Lawfords, but a much more serious thing funds to four public societies; and all his fur- opinion, too, that he had a much finer dispoto the Rev. Mr. Colville, who, ten years before, 'niture, and all his personal property to his sition, and was handsome as a youth, and

a whom, he was recalling to his mind the remileira next Spoiled he was not; but then neither was he and even the stern proud Camilla appeared be- him at present to any public school. improved by it. Vanity, that ill-weed and that fore him softened and glorified. offspring of weakness, was fostered in his nature, and thus more mortification, and a severer self-discipline, were stored up for him in after life.

Had his sister Camilla been of a nature less dominant, she perhaps might best have managed a disposition like her young brother's. Camilla, with her keen insight into character, was early aware of the fine talents and nature of the boy; and, as was natural, took upon herself to school and train him, never concealing, however, that it was rather to gratify her own love of power than anything else. Hence, between these two, there existed a continual species of warfare, a strife for mastery, which was conducive neither to their own nor the family. happiness. Their mother, desirous above all things for peace, coaxed the one and scolded the other, and always without success.

"Now, Frank, my angel," his mother would say, stroking the beautiful cheeks of the handsome youth, "what is the sense of opposing your sister in this way? Sing this duet with her; it is but a small thing, and if you love me

you will do it!"

"If it were for love of you, I would do it, and ten times more," Frank would reply, "and, as you say, it is not much, but then Camilla has said that I shall do it. Shall is a law with Camilla, and if I submit once I must submit a and which, from one particular part of the hundred times, -it is not 'as you will,' but 'as I will,' with Camilla!"

And "How can you be so tyrannical with poor Frank," her mother would say to her, in an angry tone, "as to have him up, morning, noon, and night, at that everlasting duet? You have not a spark of reason or consideration in you. Let my will be done, is your motto, with-

outany regard to another's feelings!"

reply, resolutely: "and will do nothing that does not offer incense to his vanity. The discipline I would now subject him to, would spare him trouble in after life; it would be his greatest happiness to submit to me. He would himself to be the least in the world prejudiced have to thank me for it. He has great talents, but they will all run to waste from want of steady purposes. To what does he apply him- of a home. self steadily-to nothing! And I know that I am right in requiring him to sing this duet with me, even if it were ten times more disagreeable!"

argument with her daughter, and from such controversy as this she mostly retired, to persuade Frank to compliance, or to be witness to an unhappy strife between her two strong-

willed children.

It was in the maturity of spring, towards the latter end of the merry month of May, that the Lawfords returned, and the rector's family took possession of their new home. Happily for Frank, his own family, and Camilla in particular, were so much occupied in attending to their own concerns, as not to have much time to think about him. He therefore was for a time left to his own free-will to range about the wide manor of Lawford; to find the primroses growing fresh on the mossy banks of woody dingles, and the yellow cowslips and purple violets in the grassy fields; and take his rod and line, and first essay the gentle craft of angling in the little babbling streams, which, whilst they had all the charm of being full of the early and else forgotten memories of childhood, had at the same time all the fascination and charm of novelty. What a blessed thing it seemed to him, to throw himself down here under the branches of a tree, covered with the young tender leaves of the season, and reading some glorious books of poetry or poetical literature, feel himself as it were a free man, caring nothing for the domination of Camilla. The soul of a poet in those joyous days first awoke within him; and, without being able, had he tried to define or describe his feelings, he found that a well-spring of happiness and tender and lofty emotion lay within him, which the rejoicing carol of the skylark, or the gushing sunlight through the with agreeable associates, was entirely satisfied, fore the day on which John was expected. He delicate leaves, could call forth. At such times, and began even to meditate upon placing her felt more impatient to see him than his brothers.

promised to be very handsome as a man, his whole soul was a fountain of deep love; son under the rector's care, instead of sending

Weeks went on; and during this time, Frank had advanced in knowledge of many things. said before, there existed a coldness, an unfriendly feeling; rather, however, it must be confessed, on the side of Mr. Lawford than the clergyman's. Camilla, who, among her other characteristics, was very polemically inclined, soon discovered that Mr. Colville was not an evangelical preacher, and therefore gave herself the trouble of going five miles every Sunday, to attend the ministry of a neighboring clergyman, with whom and his family she formed a close intimacy. This new acquaintance, to the comfort of poor Frank, occupied her mind, and removed her from home a good deal; so that he was left, in his turn, so make acquaintance, which he very soon found to be as much to his taste as his sister's was to hers.

Within the park of Lawford, or rather at its edge, stood the church, about a quarter of a mile from the Hall. The church was remarkably picturesque, with its tall gray tower of good proportions, and fine style of architecture, and surrounded by its little quiet field of graves. Frank found much to interest and please him in this sacred little spot; and yet, when there, was never so much occupied by his poetic musings, as not to have an eye to spare for the rectory grounds, which bounded one side of it, churchyard, lay open to view. The first time Frank was here, he saw the rector's daughter, a fair, slight girl, walking in the garden, surrounded by a tribe of young brothers and sisters. His first thought was, what a large family the rector had; his second how interesting was that fair sister, who, all unconscious of a stranger's observations, seemed like the spirit of affection and tenderness. Day after day, "Frank is a spoiled child," Camilla would Frank visited that particular corner of the churchyard, sometimes seeing different members of the family, sometimes not. He was remarkarbly regular in his attendance at church. though his family was not so; nor did he allow against their new neighbors, even though "poor Adolphus," through them, would stand in want

The rector's young people, however, like Frank, soon discovered that there were very charming dingles, where primroses grew, in va-Mrs. Lawford had always the worst of an rious parts of the park and hills in the neighover the country; and it was not very long before some or other of them met with him, or he with them. From these meetings an inti- industry, had carried all honors before him; macy grew up. Frank undertook to be their had won the regard of the heads of the college,

> at church, and their daughter had, in the most welcome on his account. his anger, barking after his lukewarm or even pride and blessing of his family. stray sheep. No, his plan was to keep his eye receive Frank with the greatest kindness and endeavor that all his visits to the rectory should be as agreeable as possible. To his mother, Frank spoke of his intimacy at the rectory, and of his pleasant visits there, but to no one else; and his mother well pleased that he should meet

In this way Frank knew the Colville family, old and young, and used to amuse and interest his mother by his anecdotes of the interior of Between his family and the rectory, as we the rectory. He was a great favorite with the rector's lady, because he amused the little children. He cut mice out of apple pippins, and swans out of apples themselves; made skipping-rats with his rolled-up pocket-handkerchief, and rabbits on the wall with his hands. He was a most amusing companion to them, and nothing delighted them more than to see him between the garden-trees by the fish-pond. The one, however, who evinced most pleasure in his society, though that not with the vociferation of the younger children, was that fair, slender girl who had first made the rectory-lawn so interesting to him. With Emma he sat for hours, reading to her as she sat at work, or in quiet and very lover-like conversation. Frank was seventeen, a tall stripling, Emma was a year his senior; on his part, at least, it was a very tender and a very warm flame. From Emma he soon heard, as well as from the younger children and their parents, of John, the eldest of the family. John was turned three-and-twenty, and was at college-at the very college where his own brothers were. It seemed to him a remarkable coincidence. The whole family, old and young, were enthusiastic in his praise. "Brother John," said the children. "gave them this book; taught them that accomplishment; devised for them that pleasure; oh, there was no one in this world like brother John!" Emma joined in the same pæan to his praise. John had been the associate of all her pleasures, the consoler in all her troubles. He was so elever, so gay! They should have such delightful times when John came home!

To hear Emma and the younger ones talk of this wonderful brother, Frank fancied a lighthearted, merry youth, full of fun and frolic, beside whom he should be a very monk for sedateness. To hear the parents, however, speak of him, a very different idea was suggested. John had been his father's pupil, grave, and steady, and precocious. Latin and Greek had been to him mere child's play. He had been usher in his father's school when only fifteen. He had lived with his parents, not as their child but as their friend and adviser. But, great as had been John's virtues at home, his college-life had even exhibited his character to greater adborhood, where fine views might be obtained vantage. He had struggled through poverty and hardship; had been untempted by pleasure; and now, by great ability and most unheard of guide here and there; and they, in their turn, and the esteem of his fellow collegians. He made him soon feel that without him, a rural had now taken his degree, and had won also excursion could afford them very little pleas- for himself a fast friend and sure patron in the son of Earl ---, a young man of great promise The rector and his lady, who, after so many and virtue. Frank thought of his own brothers, years of waiting, anxiety, and sorrow, had now whose college-lives had caused his parents such anchored, as it were, in this sunny bay of life, uneasiness and trouble-of the gay, thoughtcould afford to be in good humor with all the less George, whose debts had for the present world. Right excellent people were they, said turned his father's heart from him, and of poor every one, rich and poor alike; and, though it Adolphus, who had not sense enough to keep was some little cause of regret to them, that out of scrapes. The next college vacation the squire and his lady were among the most John Colville would be at home—at that new negligent of his parishioners in their attendance home, the prosperity of which was the more

pointed manner, withdrawn herself from under Frank thought of John Colville night and day, his pastoral care, yet that was no reason why and set him up as a sort of ideal model to himthe rector in his office of pastor of his flock, self. He, too, he resolved, would distinguish should send out, as it were, the sheep-dog of himself; he, too, would endeavor to be the

At length the time came which was to bring on them, in kindness and good-will, and not to the young collegians home—the young spendobtrude himself on their notice, other than by thrifts to the Hall, and the hard-working and good offices. A desire, therefore, to influence honor-crowned John to the rectory. Very little the parents through the son, perhaps made him was said at the Hall about the expected arrivals there; the father was out of humor; the mother uneasy; and Camilla, who, when her elder brothers were concerned, admitted a rival idea with her new evangelical notions, alert and determined, yet silent.

Frank went to the rectory the evening be-

yet lay in dim perspective before him. His idea very person who was keeping him out of his his first love, and that was all. of John Colville was that of intellectual force heritage! Camilla took the part of her brother; To no soul but to his mother did he open his and spiritual beauty. He thought of Milton, her inveteracy against the rector's family was heart, and that only so far as regarded his fuand Philip Melancthon, and Fenelon, and Lu- hotter than ever; and then it came out that she; ture brother-in-law. ther, and those fine spirits who were the idols had not been in ignorance, but had only con- "John Colville is a clever man of the world." of his heart's worship, whenever he thought of nived at Frank's intimacy there. Camilla had said she. "Camilla and he are admirably suit. him.

the garden-gate, when Emma Colville came bounding towards him, exclaiming that John was come; and then out came rushing the younger children to tell him the same thing; and when he said how glad he was, how delighted they must be, all their faces grew serious, and they said, "Oh, but John was going away on the morrow, was going out of England,

for they knew not how long!"

next moment he stood before John Colville. to the whiskers, was closely shaved, revealing John Colville had not been long at the rectory of bridal festivity and joy. exactly suited the character of the face, there lively zeal to have all the poor children in the _"no one loved you as I did; no one will was no foppery or nonsense of any kind, about parish educated. This could not be done with- mourn for you as I shall !" it. All was plain and in excellent keeping. He out the sanction and assistance of the clergy- Frank said right-no one mourned her so father's friend and confidant; but he felt that at the school; and from this day no one was sown in good ground, produced a harvest for years would never make him as intimate with more intimate at the rectory than herself. She the garner of heaven.

glance from head to foot; and then, as if he this, it was not long before John Colville was a few paces. Mrs. Colville was listening to her conclusion when it said, that the rector's son son and so were the girls; even Emma did not and the squire's daughter would one day be seem to have a thought to spare for him; he married. thusiasm which was his own characteristic. daughter-in-law elect, the chosen of the idol He recalled to his memory all that had been John, he could never occupy the place he had told of his high virtue, his self-denial, his in- done. Even Emma seemed changed, and dustry, his devotion to his family, his honorable | charged him before the assembled family with he had won. Yes, all this was very noble, Frank clamorous in lauding Camilla's generosity, could not but acknowledge; and yet some way warm-heartedness, and unselfishness, those he felt that after all his golden idol was but a very qualities which he had thought her defimixture of clay.

got John among us at last, you see!"

ed: George preferred absenting himself; and bridesmaid, -and they, too, were inseparable, with Adolphus came much news and talk of -besides which, she seemed to have imbibed John Colville. According to him, John Col- a cordial interest for "poor Adolphus;" and ville was the most time-serving sycophant in whether it was wounded vanity or becoming

her way. Frank's little friendship on his own ed for each other. If John should ever be a He went, not expecting to find him arrived, account was thwarted; but, as was natural, his bishop—and he is likely enough—Camilla will but merely because his heart impelled him to little love affair grew only the more interesting. tell his friends that he would think of them on Emma and he exchanged locks of hair; he the morrow. Scarcely, however, was he within wrote to her the most touching little poems; Adolphus!" and after Christmas he was sent to a great public school, preparatory to his college life.

left, as was only natural, the coldness continu- bells ringing, sun shining, and the various By this time, Frank, with a beating heart son, with whom John Colville had been travel- Mrs. Lawford, smiling and gay; she had excited and a crimsoning brow and cheek, had entered ing, and whose health had for many years and exerted herself much on this occasion. the dining-room by the open French window to been delicate, had died in Italy, leaving to his All at once she was seen to make an attempt to which Mr. Colville had beckoned him, and the friend and his companion a legacy of five thou- rise, and then she sank back into her chair, and sand pounds; and that the earl, his father, had laying her hand on her side, exclaimed, "Oh, And this then was he! A short, stiff, solidly- given him the next presentation to a good liv- God I my heart, my heart!" built young man, with a compactly put-together ing, which was expected to fall vacant almost A flush for one moment covered her coun-

adieus, very unobtrusively withdrew. He felt return home. Why was he somehow vexed that he had no right to be disappointed in John about it? He could not satisfactorily answer Colville; he was exactly the sort of person he that question to himself. At the rectory he might have expected, a strong-minded, clear- was received with the greatest kindness; but headed, independent sort of man. Frank, how- somehow he felt in the depths of his soul a ever, fancied that he looked cold-blooded and melancholy presentiment that when Camilla calculating, and wanting in that generous en- was the caressed and flattered, and favored life at college, the distinction and the friendship | undervaluing Camilla. The whole family were cient in, and were ready to quarrel with him In a day or two, his brother Adolphus return- because of them. Emma was to be Camilla's all Oxford; he had been the merest lickspittle self-respect, Frank quietly withdrew himself, his father's wishes, and grandchildren sat on

John Colville was to him the name of a dear to the Earl of -- 's son, with whom he was recalling to his mind the repulsive sentiment friend; he felt already to love him; he thought about to set out as traveling companion. he at first had felt in the pattern John Colville. how he would freely open his heart to him, and 'Adolphus might himself have won honors had and thinking that he must be contented to give ask counsel from him of many things which as it not been for this young man, this son of the up his friends and to endure the blighting of

put the mitre on his brows; and, thank God, between them they will take care of 'poor

The day of Camilla's marriage arrived. The children of the newly-established schools scat-Twelve months after this time, when Frank tered flowers in her path; and the bride and came home for his vacation, he found very ex- bridegroom returned to the Hall to partake a traordinary things going forward. But these wedding-breakfast with the united families. require a word of explanation. After Frank Nothing could be gayer than all around them; ed between the families at the Hall and the members of the two families exchanging conrectory. In a while news came that the earl's gratulations. At the "head of the table" sat

head, thickly covered with short crisped black daily. "That young man is bound to be for- tenance, and then a change passed over it, and hair; a forehead of great strength rather than tunate," said all the world. beauty, which rose above a pair of deep-set, His return to his family made quite a sensa- woman, and was with difficulty removed to the small, dark eyes, of a grave, intelligent, yet tion through the neighborhood, and even sofa. A physician was instantly fetched; he rather cold expression; a remarkably well- among Camilla's evangelical friends. Camilla attempted to bleed her; but human aid was formed nose and mouth that looked as if chisel- herself, it must be presumed, became interest- vain. She died of an affection of the heart, led out of granite. There was an iron-gray ed by all she heard; but, for the sake of consisten- under which she had long labored, in the fiftytinge about the lower part of the face which cy, she was very bitter in herremarks upon seventh year of her age. No conception can be indicated a strong, black beard, but all this, even him. Camilla was a clever diplomatist; and formed of the effects of this shock in the midst

the clear, strong curve of the jaw, which added | with his grave, self-possessed manner, his inde- | "Oh, my mother!" exclaimed Frank, falling an expression of force to this remarkable, but pendent bearing, and his deep mourning, be- on his knees before her, and clasping her hand, not altogether pleasing countenance. The dress fore she found herself animated by the most with a convulsive burst of sorrow, to his lips,

was evidently, as Frank saw at a glance, one man; and to him she went, begging his advice deeply as he did. Years did not remove the of the rarae aves-an old head on young shoul- and co-operation. Nothing could have pleased effect from his spirit; nay, his whole life bore ders; such a son could be no other than his the rector more; he and Camilla worked hard traces of it; and those traces, like the seed

the son as months only had with the father. became quite eloquent against herself, and the At the moment of Mrs. Lawford's death, the Mr Colville and his son were in deep conver- mischief which prejudice of any kind does in bride and bridegroom were about to set out on sation together, as the mother, taking Frank society; it was her bounden duty to acknowl- a marriage tour of some months, at the end-of by the hand, led him up to them. "This is our ledge it; and nothing that she could do was too which time they hoped the living destined for young friend, Frank Lawford, John," said she. much for her new, dear friends. She talked to them would be ready. Camilla, however, "Ah, Frank, my boy," said the rector, "we've them of "poor Adolphus," and they admired promptly, find at that moment properly, decidher sisterly affection, her spirit, her candor, her ed that the tour should be given up, for that John gave his hand, spoke a few civil words, good sense, her decision of character. They she could not leave her family in this sudden eyed Frank for a moment with his searching saw nothing but virtues in her; and more than distress. At first her father, thankful for the assistance of his strong-minded daughter, rehad quite satisfied himself, turned again to his seen coming and going between the rectory and signed everything to her management; but father and pursued the conversation which had the Hall, before he and Camilla were seen when, as his mind recovered its usual tone, he been interrupted. Poor Frank's enthusiasm felt walking together arm in arm in deep confiden saw how completely Mr. and Mrs. John Colville as if blown upon by an icy wind; he withdrew tial discourse. The world jumped to no false were the masters there, he roused himself, and quietly intimated that this was not their permanent home. Camille's permanent home was not, however, ready for her; and making felt that he was not wanted, and, making his This was the news that met Frank on his yet an effort to retain her power, her father wrote to his son George, who now had been living so long under his displeasure, inviting him to return and assist him henceforth in the management of his affairs. George, who by this time had sown all his wild oats, accepted his father's invitation with unbounded joy, and within a few days presented himself at Lawford, to the surprise of his sister, who knew nothing of what her father had done. The father and son met with the utmost affection and confidence; and from this Camille understood her father's real intentions. Not a hint, however, did she give of this; but speaking only of the pleasure she and her husband would now have in being released to attend to their own duties, made her retreat with all the dignity of entire conquest.

CHAPTER IV.

YEARS went on. George married much to

mille and her husband, now Dr. Colville, provided for Adolphus; and this made her family regard her with unbounded gratitude. "She is a wonderful woman," said her brother George. "She has the credit of the family so at heart," said her father-"has never let the world know of poor Adolphus' deficiences; and even when he married a farmer's daughter, took the young woman under her care, and made a com- lic!" said old Mr. Lawford. plete gentlewoman of her!" "A really noble character is Aunt Colville," said young Mrs. Lawford to her children; thinking that, as Aunt Colville had none of her own, her sons and daughters could not do better than be such to her. "Never fail in deference to your aunt, and only try to be as clever a woman as she is?"

world bore testimony to his talents and his ambition. Churchmen said that he was fit to be and practices of the humble, self-denying son of of it. the poor carpenter, than Judas Iscariot himself, who sold him for money, as Dr. Colville and such men did!

Frank ever since his law studies had begun, had lived in London, apart from his family. They pursued their course, and he his, every passing year making the distance between them in many respects greater and greater. He was dervalue wealth, or rank, or worldly distinction, called to the bar, and his family began to listen, somewhat impatiently, for the reports of his highly-truth, justice, and the peace of his own law-reputation. "What is Frank doing?" ask- mind; and these seemed to have called him into ed old Mr. Lawford of his eldest son; and his the ranks of literature, despised though this eldest son answered him by merely repeating vocation might be by his family. Nevertheless, the question, and somehow or other, they obtained from somewhere a very unsatisfactory that his course would be a brilliant one; and answer. Frank had left the bar and turned- that he should achieve fortune at the same time what had he turned? A shopkeeper? No! that he achieved fame and honor. Ah, poor A Methodist preacher? No: worse even than that—he had turned an author! An author repeated some individual of the family; well, well, after all that might not be so very bad. He had perhaps been writing on the practice or usage of law; whole libraries of books have been written about law, and all books must have authors.

No, no! Frank had not written on law; Prank had written a poem—and a novel! these anonymously. No wonder he got no briefs! and now he had come out in his own name, as and, after some time, the family made up their the author of some strange book which nobody could rightly understand, and yet which every. the disgrace of being connected with a poor, body was reading.

The good people at Lawford regarded an author as some sort of a disreputable character; a combination of extravagance and poverty. Authors were people who never had a shilling to bless themselves with; who sat shivering in garrets, with blankets pinned round them, writing for their daily bread, which they were never able to win. Old Mr. Lawford, in his reading days, had read Johnson's "Lives of the Poets." The life of Savage was the only one he distinctly remembered; but that, and the print of Hogarth's poor author, which, with the rest of the own parliamentary life, now lying behind him set, hung in the dining-room at the hall, fur- at the distance of many years, and to him it nished him with his idea of authors. Duns and seemed encircled with a golden halo. Yes, his printers' devils besieged their doors; they were son, his favorite son, as he now called him, people who always were in debt for their lodg- must certainly serve his country, as his father ings and their green-groceries. Professional had done before him. George was not unwillmen, and county families, could not associate ing . Dr. and Mrs. Colville warmly seconded it; with authors, penny-a-liners, and poor devils! but then came a difficulty-George was no pub-George, who never had been a reader, adopted lie speaker; the election would be contested his father's notions, and thought, of a truth, that | violently; there was a deal of popular talent on Frank was disgracing the family. The only the other side; pamphlets and broadsides were periodicals that came to Lawford were the already in circulation; George must have som Gentleman's Magazine and the Quarterly Re- one beside him who could write and even speak view: the Gentleman's never condescended to for him. "If I had only Frank's powers!" said utmost alarm and danger; when Frank, without speak of Frank's publications; but the Quarterly George. Mrs. Colville had thought the same a moment's consideration for himself, rushed

the old man's knees. As was expected, Ca-, ticle on his last work. It was full of bitter per-, by a simultaneous impulse of mind, the whole sonal sarcasm; taunted, and jeered, and ridi- family conclave spoke out. Would it not be as culed, and then, instead of proof from the vol- well to make use of Frank? there had been disume, gave mutilated passages, in italics and pleasure enough shown by them. To be sure, Roman capitals, so that the very author might blush at his words. The Lawfords felt as if the whole family was cut up, root and branch, by this article.

"I shall never show my face again in pub-

George, in a towering passion.

By the next post letters from Lawford reached the author, expressing the family displeasure at this his unimaginable folly. In return Frank sent them reviews on the other side; but these they never read. He knew whom he had to thank for the invective in the Quarterly-it Dr. Colville was now an archdeacon. All the was Archbishop Colville; but he made no remonstrance to him, for he had long known that he and his brother-in-law could not be exan archbishop; that his controversial writings pected to think alike. Camilla wrote to him a placed him at the head of all polemical writers dictatorial and yet a half-flattering letter, ac-Whatever; that he was one of the stanchest knowledging his talents and upbraiding him for pillars of the church and state; that he was the abuse of them. His reply to her was in the proud and ambitious to be sure, but then he had | words of Scripture: "Let not him who hath put the zeal of an apostle. Dissenters and radicals, his hand to the plough turn back to the house and such like people, said that Dr. Colville was to fetch his clothes." Camilla said it was a the most bigoted zealot of the present day; a misapplication of Scripture; it was an abuse of willing, the letter said, to make this occasion proud, hot-headed churchman; an upholder of holy things; it was almost blasphemy; and every corruption of church and state; a man no while her brother remained in that temper, he more fitted to preach and teach the doctrines must take his own course and the consequences

> Frank was not much surprised by the letters from his family: he knew that this, his new course of life, involved their displeasure, perhaps entire alienation from him. This, however painful, he must bear. Frank saw many things very differently from what they did. At the same time that he did not, by any means, unthere were other things which he valued more like every young author, he doubted not but Lawford! he was young in those days; and, though his glowing, youthful enthusiasm prophesied truly of the glory and usefulness of the future, it told him nothing of sleepless nights, and weary days of labor and disappointment, and weariness of brain, and anxiety that would not be allayed. Of these it told him nothing: his sister Camilla was the raven that croaked of all these things; and his father, to whom she sent copies of all her letters, repeated the doleful note. But Frank Lawford was incorrigible: minds to bear, as philosophically as they could, thriftless author; giving him, as their parting words, the intelligence, that having willfully turned his back on the path of honorable independence, if not of distinction, which they had chosen for him, he must never look to them for countenance or assistance.

> Time went on; and then it came suddenly into the heads of sundry people, that George Lawford, Esquire, of Lawford, would most ably represent their interests in parliament; and accordingly he was warmly solicited to allow himself to be nominated. His father thought of his

Frank might have served them just as well, had he been a barrister; but then, as he chose to be an author, why not make use of him? Poor Frank! no doubt he would embrace, with joy, such an opportunity of reconciliation with his family; and then, when his brother was in "Frank has disgraced us all!" exclaimed parliament, he might be able to do something for him; and, as this unfortunate cacoethes seribendi seemed natural to him, they must have a little charity towards him, just as they would if he had a crooked spine. "To be sure we must," said Mrs. Colville, who had come to the Hall for the occasion, "we must all remember that Frank is our own flesh and blood!"

His father wrote to him immediately a letter at Camilla's dictation. A good deal was said of his delinquency; of his having run counter to the wishes of his father, of the grief which his pertinacity had occasioned, and of the willingness there was, notwithstanding, in the parental heart, to pity and to forgive. Now, he was told, an opportunity offered to serve his brother George in his own peculiar way; and by serving George, to oblige his family. His family were the means of family union; the past should be forgotten, and good understanding henceforward exist among them. The whole affair was then explained to him; and he was desired immediately to come down, so that, on the spot, he might employ all his powers for the service of his brother.

Instead of going down, however, as requested, Frank replied by letter to the family proposal of peace; and this letter fell like a thunderbolt among them. It was a long and eloquent letter; a letter full of affection, and which had not been written without emotion. The purport of it was, that much as Frank desired a reunion with his family, willing as he would be, at any personal risk to himself, to serve any one of them; yet, he grieved to say, that in this one particu-. lar alone he could do nothing. The most honest and single-minded inquiry after truth, had led him to adopt political opinions opposite to those of his family. It was a matter of principle and duty with him, not of pleasure or will; and that, however painful it was to differ or separate himself in any way from those with whom natural affection allied him, he had no alternative, if they regarded his conduct as offensive; because every principle of religion and duty would force him to adhere to what he considered as truth.

No words can describe the wrath and indignation and scorn which this letter produced. He was a traitor to God and to his family. This was what his abandonment of a gentlemanly profession had led him to! They knew that it would lead to no good; Dr. Colville had said, from the first, that there was nothing but rank radicalism in his books, however disguised; he was a disgrace to the family! and it was a thousand pities that ever they had asked his assistance,

The most angry letters were sent him in reply. His father disowned him as his son; Mrs. Colville as her brother; George foretold the loss of his own election through him; and even poor Adolphus put forth a feeble philippic.

As George had foretold, he lost his election : and lost with it a deal of money, which made it harder still to bear: all of which, as a matter of course, was ascribed to Frank.

CHAPTER V. I See Land College

FRANK LAWFORD had yet a third sin to commit, and that was his marriage; but a peculiar event led to that, which we must relate. He was walking one day along Harley street, when 5 horse in a private little carriage, in which an elderly lady was seated, took flight, and almost. immediately dashed it to pieces against som impediment in the road. The lady was in the contained a regular slashing and cutting-up ar. thing, and so had her husband; and then, as forward, and bore her in his arms to a place of

safety. Every one admired his promptitude and presence of mind. The old lady was most grateful; and, giving her address, begged him to call upon her. This led to an intimate acquaintance. She unfolded to him her particular circumstances; told him that she had no immediate connections in the world, excepting an old Scots cousin, with whom, as a child, she had been brought up. To him she had left the bulk of her property, and to his children, one of whom was a missionary in the East Indies; another, a clergyman in Scotland; and the third, a daughter, who gained her living as a daily governess. The father and daughter lived in London; but a misunderstanding of some years' existence kept them apart. The old gentleman was, in case she died without a will, her heir-at-law; but it was her intention, she said to surprise him by her liberality. She knew him very well, and his proud spirit; he would not come near her, lest he should seem to be courting her favor; but she would be his and his children's benefactor after all. But there was more to leave, the old lady went on to say, than what she meant for the Macintyres: she should have a residuary legatee, and perhaps—and with this she nodded and said, that Mr. Frank would never have reason to regret having risked himself to save her. There was something very cordial and maternal about this old Mrs. Vaughan; and, in reply to all her inquiries respecting his family and his prospects, he frankly told all—that he was disowned by his family, and why. Mrs. Vaughan was herself a radical in politics—Heaven help her! She went a long way beyond Frank; advocated universal suffrage, and universal equality in every way, for rich and poor, black and white, man and woman, alike. All that was good and right as a principle; but then, Mrs. Vaughan was very extreme in her opinions for all that thought that women should choose their own husbands very much more independently than they now did; and that they should sit in parliament as well as men. It was on these subjects, she said, that she and her cousin Macintyre had quarreled. Frank was the least in the world startled when he saw, in this lady, ties. the exaggerated reflex of his own opinion; but he nevertheless made her a present of a handsomely bound set of his own works, which she very carefully read and criticized very freely. At Mrs. Vaughan's, Frank met a certain Mr. Morgan, an author likewise by profession, a round-faced, sallow-complexioned young man, of very obsequious and deferential manners but whose political and general opinions much more accorded with the old lady's than his own. Frank felt asort of instinctive dislike to Morgan ; Morgan's ultra notions seemed to create a reaction in his mind; and long, and often very warm, were the arguments between them in Mrs. Vaughan's presence, where alone he met that really, after all, the old lady's will had a high and sure place among the noblest minds Morgan, and to please and flatter whom Frank been a matter of importance to him. He was of his country. Those great truths, of which at suspected these opinions to be held.

Like old Mr. Macintyre, Frank felt frequently a sort of delicacy in going uninvited to Mrs. Vaughan's, lest it should seem to be for selfish ends; besides which, the society of Morgan, whom he was always sure to meet there, was

extremely distasteful to him.

One day when Frank had been absent a whole month, received a note from the house-keeper. informing him that Mrs. Vaughan was very ill and wished to see him. He found her evidently sinking fast; she was still sensible, pressed his hand, reproached him for his long absence, and spoke with tears of her gratitude. Morgan was not there; and with a feeling of selfreproach for having really neglected her-she, who had been as a mother to him when his own father and family had cast him off-he resolved, during the rest of her life, to devote himself to her. He stayed with her the whole day; read prayers to her, to which she was too weak to respond; and only left her at night on the assurance of the physician that he saw no immedistedanger, promising to return early the next morning. The next morning when he returned she was no more

Her death affected him greatly, much more than he could have imagined. He was invited forward, and bore her in his arms to a place of

, by her executors to attend her funeral and be present at the reading of her will. There were present, beside himself, the executors, Mr. Morgan, and Mr. Macintyre and his daughter. Mr. Macintyre was an old man; he probably, however, looked older than he really was, from his snow-white hair and a degree of paralytic weakness, which had given a bending feebleness to his whole person. He entered the room, leaning on the arm of his daughter, a young lady of perhaps three and-twenty, whose countenance was less remarkable for beauty than a pensive, earnest expression, which told that sorrow had made early demands upon a mind naturally reflective.

Miss Macintyre moved slightly but courteously to the assembled company, and then occupied herself by seating her father in the large cushioned chair which had been provided for him. After he was seated, the old gentleman looked round with the air of one who felt himself the principal person there. He had already acted as chief mourner; and having now arranged his whole person to his mind, he remarked that nothing, he believed, prevented their proceed-

ing to business.

There seemed some little hesitation and uncertainty among the executors, every one of whom saw a some one else there in that character whom they did not expect. At length, ure. however, at a nod from Mr. Morgan, which Mr. Macintyre internally called impertinent, the seals were broken and the reading of the will commenced. Frank glanced round the assembly; every countenance appeared calm excepting Morgan's, which was deeply flushed, and the quick, restless movement of whose eye betokened something extraordinary. "He divined how it was. The will bore date but a few months previously. Three thousand pounds was left to Mr. Macintyre; considerable sums to various charities; her large edition of the works of leaves nothing to be repaired!" Thomas Paine, and her Boyle's Dictionary, bound in calf, to Frank Lawford, Esquire, and the whole remainder of her property, real and personal, to Joseph Morgan, Esquire, subject only to the payment of a few stipulated annui-

The will was listened to with apparent patience in the hope of some codicil or other. But no: codicil there was none. Joseph Morgan was residuary legatee, and Frank Lawford had

a few books.

"This is not the will!" exclaimed Mr. Macin-

"This was not the will of five years ago, in which I was an executor!" exclaimed one or two, whose names as executors were now omitted.

"This is her last will and testament!" said Mr. Morgan, with an ill-suppressed exultation. Frank Lawford felt now, for the first time,

'Let us go!" said Catherine Macintyre to this unlooked-for testamentary document.

"Three thousand pounds only!" said he, you suppose the residuary legatee's share may be-this Morgan, whom nobody knows anything about-what will he get?" asked the old gentleman from one of the executors under the former will, and who, not being named in the new one, had thus lost the two hundred pounds which were left to each executor for his trouble, and thus felt himself also an aggrieved party.

"Not much under twenty thousand pounds," replied he, "when all the annuities are reckoned out." a ser ourself and the series to

Poor Macintyre swore that he would have the will set aside; called Morgan a knave and an artful interloper, and a scene of angry contention began.

Catherine, casting at the same moment a glance towards Frank Lawford, as if asking for his asenstance.

"Who are you?" asked Mr. Macintyre, al. The rich feasted the rich, the great feasted the and a continue and cutting and cutting on heat seed but and an inches

most fiercely, as Frank came forward and politely offered to assist the old gentleman out.

"This is Mr. Frank Lawford," said one of the disappointed executors. "Till within these six months he stood very well in Mrs. Vaughan's will; and now the very mention of him is like an insult."

"Do me the favor, Mr. Frank Lawford," said Mr. Macintyre, "to see my daughter to the coach, which is at the door. I must know more about this iniquitous will; but this is no place for her."

Catherine prayed him to return with her; but he was already in fierce contention with Morgan.

"I will remain with your father." said Frank, handing her into the coach. "I will not leave him; and with your permission I will accompany him home."

From this day the fates of Catherine and

Lawford were bound together.

As Catherine had feared, Mrs. Vaughan's unsatisfactory will greatly affected her father. From that time he never was, well; and before he came into possession of the bequest which she had made him, he was beyond the power of enjoying it, had it been ten times the amount. He was gone where the want of money can never give pain, nor the possession of it pleas-

In process of time news went to the Lawfords of Lawford, that Frank was married to a poor Scots girl, without even family or wealthy connections to recommend her. But by this time Frank's actions had ceased to surprise his family; "and yet," said Mrs. Colville, "this last act has put the finishing stroke to his former extraordinary conduct. Had Frank," argued she, "distinguished himself by marriage, other things, in course of time, might have been passed over; but a false step in marriage

The father revised his will, leaving merely a small annuity to Frank, much less than to poor Adolphus, who had now sunk into a state of imbecility; and then, in the full belief that all his earthly duties had been thoroughly performed, at the age of eighty-six, went down to the grave of his fathers. Frank was out of England at the time of his father's death, and thus had no opportunity of craving his father's blessing. even if the old man would have given it. Hehowever, had so long been used to disappointment and trial, that let it come how and when it would be was found, like the true soldier on watch, ready to meet the enemy. A happy man, nevertheless, whether fortune smiled or frowned. was Frank Lawford; for his sound mind, and his sound heart, and the love that surrounded him, as with an atmosphere of heaven, made his life a perpetual rejoicing. His literary career had also been a bright one. He had taken excited and displeased; he felt that he had been first he had been, as it were, the solitary apostle, deceived, if not ill-used. advanced, and, advocated by his eloquent pen, had now rooted themselves into the great naher father, on whom she feared the effects of tional mart, as a part of its own vitality. For all this, his had been an arduous and anxious life; and at fifty-seven all the provision that without noticing his daughter; "and what do he had been able to make for his family was the sum of two thousand pounds for which his own life was insured. In a worldly point of view, rich stock-brokers, and bankers, and holders of railway shares, would have said, that he had provided wretchedly for his family. Sad thoughts of the same kind often clouded his own mind; but then, in those dark moments, neither he nor those fat money-bags took into account, that Frank Lawford would leave to his children what money alone would never purchase-fine education, the noblest principles, and his own unblemished name.

Bur let us now take a peep into that happy "Let us go, dearest father," again besought home at Kensington, which for so many years he had called his own.

It was Christmas day. Thousands of homes. were prepared in London for that day's festivity.

great, and the noble the noble. There was a dinner party also that day at Frank Lawford's, and the whole house had a look of festivity.

Agnes and her young brothers had decorated the walls with evergreens; sprigs of holly, with their clustering berries, peeped out from above the heavy frame of their father's portrait, that beautiful portrait painted by a celebrated painter: a wreath of bay encircled the noble brow of his marble bust, which Chantrey, out of love to the author, had presented to his wife, and which stood among his books, those household gods of his, in his library. But it was in the dining-room that there was most show of festivity; a garland of evergreen wreated the chandelier, and at four o'clock the windowcurtains were drawn, and the lamps lighted, and the side-board shone out, with its glass and plate, and verdant evergreens. The table was spread for twelve; five individuals composed the family; the father and mother, Agnes the only daughter, and the two boys, Arthur a tall Her countenance was soft and remarkably manly fellow, who looked fit to combat with the whole world, and little Harry as he was called, more as a term of endearment, than because of his size. Harry was turned eleven, slender in form, and timid in temper, gentle as a girl, and rich and peach-like complexion. The eyes, of with a soft and delicate complexion, and beau- a deep violet color, had a laughing and rather tiful wavy hair of a golden brown, which gave coquettish expression, to which a little rosy an expression of tender beauty to his whole mouth, with its curved and pouting lips, was a St. John in childhood, and his character corresponded with that of the beloved apostle.

These were the family; the expected guests were seven. An excellent smell of capitally cooked viands came up from the kitchen; the to the bust, and up to the throat, where it was wine was decanted; Mr. Frank Lawford had relieved by a very small, white, fine linen collar. done it with his own hands, and very good wine | She looked, but for a certain bashfulness, or it was; excellent port and sherry-none other; rather the air of one not quite at her ease, like and such as he would have given to the best a young gentlewoman in her morning dress. lord in the land. The family awaited their These two were William Jeffkins and his guests in the dining-room, and punctually as the daughter Fanny. Fanny had now been in serclock struck four the dinner was served, and at | vice in the country for six months, and this was that moment the back gate bell rang, not the her first visit to her father. front bell, and little Harry exclaimed joyfully Jeffkins and his daughter were evidently, in that they were come! In they came, the wel- a worldly point of view at least, the most recome guests! and were received at the dining- spectable of all the guests, and accordingly

to their seats.

"Ay, bless you, madam, how good it is of you to do so much for a poor body like me," spare form, and the friendly eye, whom Mrs. been appointed beforehand, and so the dinner Lawford placed at her right hand.

"God bless you, sir; and a merry Christmas and a happy new year," said the half blind elderly needlewoman, whom Mr. Lawford placed

in the similar seat by him.

"Take the seat near the fire, Mrs. Collins," ing boy, "you will find that seat warm, and count up every good dinner he had ever eaten, Johnny will sit beside you."

were the worst clad in the whole company, and

were thus chilled to the bone.

"Here is a seat for you," said Agnes, leading up an old man, a sort of Trotty Veck, in his Sunday clothes, and with a little cheerful face, all smiles and courtesy, like a sunshiny winter's day-" here's a seat for you on my side of the table," said she, placing him opposite the de-

jected young widow.

Five guests were seated when the last two entered, and were cordially welcomed by all present. The dress and appearance of these last comers indicated much more comfort in fifty, of rather a severe countenance, but with, as phrenologists would say, striking intellectual developments. His strong iron-gray hair was whatever met his glance, looked out from under alone, must keep the poor in order. His own errors of his wife stood blackly before him, and a pair of thick shaggy eyebrows; there was, experience proved that this was not so true as only forgiven to her through her death. The

somewhat neutralized the stern severity of its upper features. The whole head and face indicated a character in which two opposite natures prevailed, and left the beholder in doubt as to which would be the dominant one. His dress was that of a well-to-do artisan. A well-worn yet not by any means thread-bare suit, showed that he was one that required its duty from everything that belonged to him. He looked like a man who had money for a new suit when it was needed, but who would not buy one until then. With him there entered the room-not leaning on his arm, although she looked as if she knew that to be the mode in genteel society -a young girl of perhaps twenty, his daughter, and the apple of his eye, whose trim and elegant figure gave to her otherwise plain attire a rather modish and—if one may be allowed the word with reference to a poor girl-a distingue air. pleasing; her fine black hair was smooth and glossy as silk; and the distinct pencilling of her exquisite eyebrows, which in color exactly resembled her hair, accorded beautifully with a person. He might have been justly painted as made to match. At the back of her head, as if with the design of concealing as little of herfine hair as possible, was set a jaunty little cap, modestly but tastily trimmed with pink ribbons. Her dress was black French merino, made tight

room door as they came in, and then conducted were received by them all with bows and politeness. Every one would have given up their seats to them, more especially the merry old man who sat by Agnes and the half-blind old said the clean, white-haired old man, with the needlewoman. But the Jeffkins' places had

commenced.

Such was a specimen of a Christmas dinnerparty at Frank Lawford's; and never could there be more joyous or more delighted guests, or more gratified hosts. It would have been a very convincing argument against any despiser said Mrs. Lawford, to an emaciated and half- or contemner of the poor, to have witnessed famished-looking young woman, in poor but the politeness of these poor people, one towards decent mourning, with an anxious countenance, another. The old man, to whom a good dinner who led by the hand a pale but intelligent-look- made an era in his life, and who at eighty could begged that "this lady" or "that gentleman" With a blush that flushed her melancholy might be served before him-he was in no hurface, and a tear in her eye, she took the offered ry; and the merry old man, with his white hair seat, appreciating the thoughtful kindness of and his stiff joints, apologized to his neighbor giving her and the boy those seats, for they two right and left for beginning to eat before the whole company was served. It would have done anybody's heart good to have seen that humble company, in their poor but decent apparel, sitting at that good man's table as equals with him and his family, for that one day at

It was Frank Lawford's opinion that if we would really raise and improve the moral condition of the poor, nay, even the apparently deprayed, those in the classes above them, those better instructed than they, must treat them as brethren and sisters. Only let the poor feel that we consider them as children of the same home and circumstances than was apparent in great Father in Heaven, not in word, but in deed, that of the others. The one was a man about and we shall gain undoubted influence over them. People argued with him that this was true only as regarded particular individuals; but that the lower classes, generally, were too cut in a precise fashion, and turned back from depraved and rude for any friendly or intimate his forehead; his deep-set gray eye, which intercourse to exist between them and the reseemed to penetrate with a stoical coldness fined and pure: that law, and the terrors of law

however, an expression of earnestness and is generally believed; he knew that the kindheart about the lower part of the face, which ness and the friendly countenance of a respectable man may reform even those whom law and its penalties would drag down to perdition. These his poor guests, his humble friends, some of them of many years standing, had been raised. by his Christian love and goodness, from misery and depravity, either in themselves or those with whom they were connected. They remembered him in their prayers; he was their friend and counselor in all their troubles-and the poor have many. He had assisted them. not so much by money as by instilling hope into hopeless breasts; by creating a motive for amended lives; by inducing them to save something, if it were but a shilling-for a man is twice a man when he can call something his own, if it be no more than a three-legged stool. Other friends of this class he had also besides these seven guests, in the same class of society, but they were not here; some, through his means, had emigrated to America, and cheered his heart with pleasant news of their growing prosperity; some were in Africa; and one, let not the rigidly righteous exclaim in horror, among the convicts of South Australia. Yes, and for that man, his heart had bled as for a brother. The man was of a weak yielding nature, and had been beguiled into crime; and the remembrance of Frank Lawford's pity and forgiveness, would work a surer reform in him than his seven years' exile. Such were the every-day acts of this good man's Christian benevolence; they were seen and blessed by the angels of God, rather than trumpeted among

Of all his humble friends, Frank Lawford was most attached to Jeffkins: their acquaintance commenced fifteen years before, and not under the most promising circumstances. Mr. Lawford was passing, one summer Saturday afternoon, down a wretched street in the neighborhood of Spitalfields, where he saw a crowd gathered round a drunken woman, whose clothes were almost torn from her back, and whose face was bleeding from a deep gash, which had been caused by her falling on some iron railing. She was still young; and a little girl of about five or six years old, forlorn and ragged as her mother, stood crying beside her. It was a melancholy spectacle. The crowd around was filled with a mingled sentiment of pity and disgust, Mr. Lawford inquired who she was; and atlength ascertained that her home was in the neighborhood. The police came in and assisted her away; and Mr. Lawford followed, impelled by the deepest pity. Nothing could be more miserable than the home to which she was taken; her husband, who appeared like herself intoxicated, though not to the same extent, received her with the most bitter curses.

From this unpromising beginning the most fortunate results for the husband and child followed. Lawford soon discovered him to be one of those whom an unhappy marriage had dragged down into the cruelest misery. The wife soon died, but not without a little gleam of better feeling brightening, like the ray of a winter's sunset, the heart of herself and her husband. The wintry day was over; and the morning dawned which ushered in, as it were, a more vernal season, of which it might truly be said, that Mr. Lawford was the sun. A sunbeam of hope had burst into his formerly joyless heart and home; life seemed worth enjoying, but that quite in another way than he had hitherto called pleasure. He was a man of a naturally good understanding; he became a reader, and a thinker also; and being permitted to consider Mr. Lawford, not only his adviser but his friend. he felt himself raised in the social scale; he had become emphatically a MAN. From that time he was sober, industrious; and, being a clever workman, was able to save money. One master fault, however, he had, which Mr. Lawford in vain combated; this was that natural severity of character of which we before spoke, and which, whilst it made him severe in his judgment on himself, left him wanting in charity and forbearance towards others. In particular was he severe in his judgment of woman; the

of character, excited in him nothing but fear and foreboding. He believed that he had done well in sending her into service into the country; and, when she was away from him, he thought of her with nothing but pride and affection. Poor Jeffkins! and she was now come back to him for a few days of Christmas holidays; and again he trembled, and was uneasy for her. "She's the lamb of my bosom-she's ' the joy of my life; and if evil happen to her, it will be the death of me," said he, in his heart, many a time, as he saw her light figure crossing the house-floor, or heard her singing over some little fireside ditty.

Such were Jeffkins and his daughter. But the dinner is now over; and the poor guests blessed God, and their good hosts, for a dinner which had "strengthened, as it were, the very marrow of their bones;" pity only, thought good you such a dinner but once a year. And now, while they are left to a little comfortable gossip among themselves, over the dining-room fire, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawford are together in the library, before tea again assembled them, we will hear what information Agnes has gained

new life in service. true what you may say about stopping in one a very clever, nice lady"-- Fanny paused, mind to leave, and then, as I said before, old Camilla. Mrs. Colville, the late archdeacon's lady, your Poor Fanny Jeffkins! She deceived Agnes, own aunt, Miss Agnes, who now lives at Law- she deceived her father; perhaps, also, she deford with your uncle, let me know through her ceived herself as to the true motives for leaving woman that she would get me a place; she took the quiet old deanery to go and live at Lawford, a deal of notice of me when she was staying at to take care of Mrs. Sam's children. And why,

the deanery."

from papa," said Agnes.

maid at her lady's niece's at Lawford Rectory, ges than at the deanery."

" how can that be?"

Colville."

recollect we heard of the marriage; she is niece, humble guests returned to their own homes,

situation."

soning very deeply, "but it is very dull at the deanery; the servants are all old, and there's very little company kept-only just once or twice a-year a great party; and I had made up my mind to leave; and so I told Mrs. Sykes, Mrs. Colville's maid, and what she did is no more than one friend might do for another."

sister, the most beautiful young lady in the world!" A sound of revenue that set

"Is, then, my Cousin Adaso beautiful?" asked "Aye, Lord help us, what a thing this is Agnes with cordial interest, and eager to hear about Jeffkins and his daughter," said the something of those relations of whom she knew white-haired old man, with the friendly smile;

nothing. Partony and the Blanch no trom

"She is the handsomest young lady I ever Mrs. Bennet, the half-blind old needlewosaw," returned Fanny, with enthusiasm: "I man, said that she had heard nothing but what helped her to dress, because she did not bring Mr. Collins had told her. her maid, and she stayed all night. She was All looked to Mrs. Collins, who immediately so dearly, died at that same age. Agnes was

beauty of his daughter, and her natural gayety | dressed in pale pink brocaded silk, and wore a tiara of pearls. Everybody said how beautiful began for general edification. she was; and there was her brother, Mr. Edward, too, in his uniform; he was just then going out to the East Indies, and "---Fanny paused, a peculiar expression passed over her face, and then she continued: "They are a very nice family, Miss Agnes, and I am sure that at Mrs. Sam Colvilie's I shall find myself very happy."

"If you must leave the deanery," suggested

Agnes.

"I have made up my mind to leave," said Fanny decidedly, "and so I let Mrs. Sam know; and to tell you the real truth, Miss Agnes, I am at once, and that next week."

ago," said Agnes, smiling.

"Why, Miss Agnes, you see," returned Fanwill seem like living at home, to live among lady, and I know that I shall be very comfortthan at the deanery, and my meals with the place, and living with such a quiet, respectable and again Agnes smiled, remembering the picfamily as the dean's; but I have made up my ture her father had so often drawn of his sister

in speaking of her new situation, and describing "I have heard a deal about my Aunt Colville the various members who composed the family at the rectory and the hall, did she not men-"Yes, miss, I dare say," continued Fanny, tion, either to her father or to Agnes, Tom place, I might have a situation as upper nurse for whose children she seemed to have conceived so much affection? Poor Fanny! She and that is among your own relations, Miss thought of her own beauty, she thought how Agnes, and is just what I should like. I should she had been kindly noticed, and in part educalive with the rector's lady, and have better wa- ted by Mr. Frank Lawford and his family. Poor girl! Vanity, and ambition, and the weakness "The rector's lady?" questioned Agnes; of a tender and trusting heart, had made her listen to false and cruel flatteries, and to foster "Oh, yes, Miss Agnes," continued Fanny, fond and false hopes. If he were to marry me, who seemed perfectly informed on the subject, thought she a thousand times, his family might old Mrs. Colville's niece, married the present me directly. Mr. Frank Lawford and his famrector—that son of the late rector, and brother, ily have always been my friends. Such things only a great many years younger, to Archdeacon have been before now; and, oh Heavens! if I should ever be Tom Lawford's wife!

"Yes, yes," said Agnes, "you are right; I The Christmas-day was at an end. The and, at the same time, sister-in-law to my Aunt blessing God that there were those who were Colville. But Fanny," continued she, "I must not ashamed of the poor. The dejected hearts candidly tell you, that I think my aunt did not of poor Mrs. Collins and her little son imbibed knows what has become of her!" act right in inducing you to leave your present from that evening a ray of consolation that gladdened and comforted their after lives. Jeff-"She did not induce me," said Fanny, crim- kins and his daughter went home also; but Fanny kept from her father, even more guardedly than she had done from Agnes, any knowl-

edge of the true state of her feelings.

CHAPTER VII.

"But my Aunt Colville is a very severe and THE next Christmas-day's dinner at Frank exact woman," said Agnes, "you would be in Lawford's was not as cheerful as the last. strict order if you lived with her." Neither Jeffkins nor his daughter were there, "But," said Fanny, "I am to live with Mrs. and the cause of their absence saddened the Sam Colville at the rectory. I saw her at the whole party. Yet their names were not mendean's party, and Miss Ada, her unmarried tioned until the guests after dinner were left, as was customary, to have a little gossip among themselves before tea.

"what did you hear, Mrs. Bennet?"

drawing her chair more closely into the circle,

"Why, you see," said she, "as Mr. Jeffkins has taken Johnny 'prentice, I go there now and then; and he, poor man, felt it now and then a sort of relief to open his heart to me : and yet he is naturally a very close man, and most of what I do know I know only through putting one thing to another. Poor Jeffkins! he thought that Fanny was out of all danger, living at a clergyman's, and in the country; and oh! he was so fond of her, and so proud of her, though he is a man that does not show his feelings. Well, all at once the news came that Fanny had left her service, and nobody not going back to the deanery but to Lawford could tell where she was. He set off in a hurry to Lawford Rectory, but got no satisfac-"I see, you had made up your mind long tion. She had given a regular month's warning, at the end of a quarter, when her wages were paid, and they were sorry to part with Mrs. Lawford with a sigh, that we can afford ny, anxious to win her auditor to her plans, "it her; but go she would, and she did not even wait for the end of her month. I never saw a your relations; and Mrs. Sam is an excellent poor man so cut up in my life as was Jeffkins; for he is a proud man, and he knew that this able at the rectory. I shall have better wages setting off in that way could lead to no good. He advertised her, but he got no answer; and children; and I am told that they are such all this time he was as still about it, and said from her humble friend, Fanny Jeffkins, of her sweet children, and I always was so fond of nothing to anybody. But my Johnny, whose children, and there is a maid to wait on the bed stood in a sort of closet within his cham-"Yes, Miss Agnes," said she, in the tone of nursery. It's quite an upper sort of place, Miss ber, said what nights he used to pass; how he one not intending to take advice, "it is all very Agnes; and then old Mrs. Colville seems such lay tossing and groaning for hours, and then would get up and pray till the very sweat dropped from off him; and sometimes he'd curse just as violently, and threaten what he would do-for he's a stern, savage-tempered man when he's angry, is Jefikins. He got no answer, however, to his advertisements, and Mr. Frank Lawford, I believe, wrote to his relations at Lawford, but nothing came out. At last, one day a letter came without a name to say, that if he would forgive her, she would come back. He promised he would; and come back she did one evening at dusk hour. I knew nothing of this at the time, or it should she is a very nice lady; and her woman Mrs. Lawford, the squire's eldest son, the brother of have turned out differently to what it did; for Sykes told me, that if ever I left my present the beautiful Ada, and of that Mrs. Sam Colville, I would have taken her home to me and have befriended her. What Jeffkins really expected I know not-he had no right to have expected anything but what he found. But when he saw her condition he would not forgive her; and God knows what might have happened if it had not been for our Johnny. And hardhearted, unnatural father that he was, he turned her out of doors again, and bade her go to the workhouse, and give birth to her child there. It's my opinion, however, that he never "Miss Lawford, the squire's oldest daughter, forgive him. Old Mrs. Colville took a fancy to really meant so bad by her. But she took him at his word, and went, not to any workhouse-God knows where she went-and that's two months since. Jeffkins soon repented of what he had done, and now he would give his life to gain tidings of her or the child. He's a complete wreck; neither eats nor sleeps, but goes moping about like a melancholy man. He's punished for his hard-heartedness, and God

"God help her!" sighed the half-blind needlewoman.

"God help us all, poor weak creatures," said the white-haired old man, with tears running down his cheeks.

"Her body will be turning up some of these days," said Mrs. Collins; "for it's my opinion that she has made away with herself."

"God help her!" again sighed the needlewoman.

On his fifty-seventh birthday Frank Lawford gave the finishing stroke to a work which had occupied him for two or three years. It was a work into which he had put his whole soul. and which he believed would be his best gift to

posterity. "Now, Agnes, my child," said he to his daughter, after dinner, "I must read you the last chapter of my book." He said this with a remarkably affectionate tenderness of voice. and, as his daughter looked into his face, she saw that his eyes were filled with tears. She remembered that this was his birthday, his fiftyseventh, and that his mother, whom he had loved a visit of filles skindly, sychicks; there was

speaking, he was satisfied with nothing until it

had received her approval.

Without noticing her father's emotion—how

man's duty to man—a subject admirably suited most bitterly bewailed his loss. to his pen. It was written from his heart, and "Make way, will you?" said one of the sex- your father?" ward!

he a right to call God his Father!"

emotion in her eyes, gazed lovingly into his face. At that moment a change came over his countenance, and leaning back his head in the large chair in which he sat, he laid his hand upon his heart, whilst a short convulsion shook his frame. momen of his work's completion, was dead! He was difficult to say. and to his Father he was departed!

down on that lately so happy household. Poor heavy, but yet with trustful hearts, consulted may be; nor otherwise, if your life be such as Jeffkins came that night to the house to crave together. In a few days, a letter from the some say, have you a right to intrude yourself a word of consolation from this strong-minded Rev. Mr. Macintyre, Mrs. Lawford's brother in into this house." friend. The servants told him that Mr. Law- Scotland, arrived to determine their plans. He The girl sighed deeply, still without replyford was dead. Without a word he turned away advised that what little income there was ing, and cast a quick and searching glance at from the house; and somebody saw him after should be devoted principally to the education Agnes.

weeping like a child.

nounced within a few days, and with honorable cept of the invitation from her father's family some purpose—what is it? I am sure it must mention of his moral and intellectual worth, the -to visit them, or to make herself useful be good. Speak, then, freely. For my father's

death of Mr. Frank Lawford.

George, now the fat and for many years gout- to him. The letter breathed the warmest affec- me, then, what I can do for you. We will not "Poor Frank!" and the tear twinkled in his eye of her husband; she fancied now that, could be we are all sinners one way or another before as he laid down the paper.

at the head of the table, "I wonder how he has

left his family !"

them one from poor Agnes herself to her uncle were gone—nothing now remained in the house sin, we must bear it patiently. Tell me, then, to whom she had never before written, announc- but that which was to be dispersed among for what purpose you are come, and what you ing the sudden death of her father. Her strangers by public auction. Mrs. Lawford was require from me." mother, she said, was ill, but nothing could gone with the boys back to school: Agnes had Again poor Fanny sighed deeply, and then, exceed the kindness of her friends; even the suffered much in parting with them. On the as if awakening from a deep trance, fixed her very poor, whom her father had befriended, morrow she was to part with hermother, this eye on Agnes' face; "I knew how good you wished, if possible, to do something to assuage was her last evening in the home of so much were, Miss Agnes," said she, in a tremulous their grief. A few words she said on the very happiness-of so much sorrow. She was seated voice, "and I know also-sorrowfully and surely best of fathers, on the noblest of human beings in the chair in which her father had died, sunk did I know it-how unworthy I am to speak -but as she wrote, her tears blinded her eyes, in deep thought, and with her eyes swimming with you. You cannot despise me more than I and blotted the paper. The squire wept as the with tears, when the door opened, and the figure despise myself; my father cannot love me more letter was read. "We ought to have done of a woman in a large cloak, and with her bon- than I love him! He thinks I have forgotten something for poor Frank," said he. "I have not drawn over her face, entered. Agnes him-oh, no. I would lay down my life for him. often, and of late in particular, been sorry for started. the coolness between us; we should have re- The woman advanced a step or two, and then ger of his life, that I might rush in, and, at the membered that he was our brother." 'The stood with down-cast eyes, like a criminal be- sacrifice of my own, save his-that I could hear squire wept bitterly—he had hardly wept more fore his judge.

can do for her."

often she thought of it afterwards !- she linked back, offered his house to any of them, re- "Have you seen your father!" inquired her arm into his, and accompanied him into quested to know of their circumstances, and Agnes. the library, that beloved room which seemed a regretted that his own indisposition prevented The girl burst into tears, and supported herpart of her father, and where she, too, the his being able to attend the funeral. His son, self against the table. privileged companion of even his hours of study however, would go as his representative. In "Sit down, Fanny," said Agnes, drawing a sat and wrote, too, without interrupting him: a postscript he added, that if his brother had chair towards the fire, and near her own. "I nay, the father said that it did him good to cast left them in any pecuniary embarrassment, he am glad that you are come-what, now, can I up his eyes from his book and see her form begged that he might be applied to; and fur- do for you?" near him. They sat down at his table, he with thermore, he desired to know what family his "I cannot sit in your presence," said the his lamp before him and his manuscript, and brother had left, and what prospects they had girl, after the violence of her emotion was over.

"I must read you the whole of my last chap- ral, and carried back the news that men of rank great deal to make up my mind to come-I did ter," said he, laying his hand on her beautiful and distinction attended it likewise. Of about not know how you would receive me," head. a dozen poor mourners who followed the pro- "I have always wished you well," said Agnes, It was a long chapter, and on a serious sub- cession, he said nothing, for he knew not of who had risen, that at least they might thus

was the concentration of the whole spirit of his ton's assistants to a poor man who stood by works, and of his life. Agnes' heart glowed as the grave after the company had moved away, silent. he went on; she responded to every noble sen- "let's get this earth shovelled in." The person timent, and their eyes often met, with an ex- addressed was standing with his arms folded, pression of unspeakable affection and union of his hat pulled over his eyes, and was looking so, why, then, are you here? Am I to ask forsoul. It was the young disciple sitting at the into the grave where the coffin lay barely cov- giveness for you? If it be that, how gladly feet of the master, and hearing for the last time ered with a few shovel-fulls of soil. "By your will I do it." She made no answer and Agnes the words of love and wisdom from his lips- leave?" said the man, again putting forth his continued. "I do not know how far your life oh, what lessons were they to be hencefor- spade. The person addressed heaved a deep of crime and wretchedness may have hardened groan, and then moved slowly away. "God your heart, but I cannot believe that you have "When man has faithfully fulfilled his duty help him!" said the man, looking after him, and fallen past recall. Oh, then, Fanny, I beseech his fellow man, then, and not till then, has touched by his manner; "I do believe that of you, by all that is sacred and dear to you, to

gument; and his daughter, with tears of deep the esteem in which his uncle lived; of his account—we even in the midst of our sorrow, really respectable home; of his valuable library; have had tears to spare for him, and he has of his fine picture and bust; of Agnes, the only wept with us: he is a good man, although he daughter, whose grief for her father seemed so may be stern. But only think, Fanny, what excessive; of her mother, who certainly was a gentlewoman; and of the two fine and inter- deceived him!" Agnes started up. Her scream brought in her esting boys. Of their circumstances generally, mother -- Let us be spared the scene which fol- he could say nothing; they were much obliged lowed: we cannot describe it if we would—the by the kind offers of his father, but whether

thousand pounds left-what was to be done have no right to blame anyone but yourself for A night of sorrow, almost of despair, settled for the family? Agnes and her mother, with your future fate, however dark or unhappy it midnight, sitting on the stone-step at the gate, of the boys at the school where it was their "If I seem to speak severely," continued father's wish that they should be placed. He Agnes, "it is from my earnest desire for your The newspapers, of all creeds and parties, an- advised that Agnes should, for the present, ac- welfare and happiness. You are come here for among them, as it might turn out; and that, sake I am sure that your's will listen to me. "Poor Frank is dead!" exclaimed his brother for the present, at least, his sister should come if you wish me to be your intercessor. Tell afflicted squire, to his family at luncheon. tion. Mr. Macintyre had been the dear friend cast you off, although you may have sinned; have spoken, he would have advised the God-He knows what our temptations have

family of the Lawfords was to be broken up but then, having once sinned, we must sin no At that moment letters came in, and among for ever. The books, the portrait, and the bust more, and having to suffer in consequence of

the idol of her father, and his dearest companion; soothingly. "This poor Agnes, now-what a "I am ashamed, Miss Lawford, to come here. and, young as she was, at least comparatively nice, well-written letter she has sent," said she, I am ashamed to look you in the face after also wiping her eyes; "we must see what we what has happened; but I heard by chance that you were leaving London for ever, and I felt as The old gentleman wrote a very kind letter if I must see you again."

she on a low seat opposite to him, and just at in the world.

This knees:

Mr. Tom Lawford attended his uncle's fune-fallen creature, I know; and it has cost me a

ject; it contained a summary of his views on them; they, however, next to his own family, seem equal; but, oh, Fanny, you must answer me one question-why do you not return to

Again the girl burst into tears, and remained

"Am I to understand," continued Agnes, "that you do not intend returning to him. If there lies somebody in this coffin that he loved." return to your father; let me intercede between These were the concluding words of his ar- Tom Lawford returned home, and told of you! I know what he has suffered on your you were to him-his all in life-and so as you

The poor girl groaned, clasped her hands, but

made no answer.

"Do not close your heart against him," conhusband, the father—the noble author, at the they were not too proud to accept of them it tinued Agnes, when, like the father of the poor prodigal in the gospel, he holds out his of all men was entitled to call God his Father; The head of the family gone, and only two arms to embrace you; for if you do, you will

"Poor Frank," said his sister Colville who sat same. And now the time came when the happy them. God often is more merciful than man,

How have I wished that I could see him in danof his having the plague which would drive when his wife died.
"Fanny Jeffkins!" exclaimed Agnes, with a cveryone from the surprise and pity were mingled. Sim night and day, and die in thus showing my

him?" asked she.

your affection and devotion to him in some wild, improbable way, and such occasions never will occur-but in the simple, easy, commonplace way of going to him, and proving to him ny, "I told his father, in the bitterness of my your repentance, you will not show it. This is desertion, that, if need were, I would send it no true affection! What days and nights of to him; and for my part, I meant to work hard unspeakable anguish, worse than any suffering for it. I hoped to get a wet-nurse's place in of body, you might spare him, and yet you will London when I returned; but I took cold, not! No, Fanny, deceive not yourself with the was laid up with a dreadful fever, insensible idea that yours is true affection—it is selfishness-it is pride-God forbid that it should be was to find that I had fallen amid worse than ever worse."

"It is an easy thing to judge," said Fanny, in a voice of deep anguish—"it is a bitter thing

to suffer! and I have suffered!"

"Then your child also," continued Agnes, "where is it? These are the thoughts which wring your poor father's heart—what is become of your child?—Ah, you have done very wrong, Fanny, you have sadly deceived us all!"

"Miss Agnes," said Fanny, "you and your family have been very good to me, and how much I have loved you, I have no right to say, seeing how fallen and sinful I have been, and how miserable I am! But however," continued she, as if impatient to proceed, "I came going to live altogether at Lawford—that was a | die!" fatal place to me! and there are those yet at Lawford whom I would die to save. You will see him, Miss Agnes," continued she in a hurried, agitated voice; "he will love you-he cannot help it-and you will love him, there is no helping it, and oh, when you are his wife," said she clasping her hands, "see that right is done to my poor child. It is there! I was not the unnatural mother my poor father imagined me- how could I? I loved the child too well to have done it any wrong-it was dear to me as an angel of heaven, for its father's sake, unkind as he was to me! At first the thought was bitter to me, of you being his wife-but I am now satisfied: I know how good you are, and for mercy's sake-perhaps even for mine, you will befriend my poor child. Promise me that you will do this!" cried she, coming forward almost wildly.

"You startle me," said Agnes; "and I do not understand you-at least can only dimly

conjecture your strange meaning."

Fanny looked at her with a hurried but searching glance, and then said, "you know who I mean; he came to your father's funeral, your cousin, Tom Lawford; you cannot help loving him, but then your love will be fortunate."

"Oh, Fanny," said Agnes, "far wiser would it have been to have confided your child to your own father's care, rather than to the man who had wronged you so cruelly. You have done wrong: you have made your child an outcast. How could you expect that the family would own your child? Your own father

would !"

"My father turned me out of doors on a winter's night-turned me out in my misery, and my shame," said Fanny bitterly. "Oh, Miss Agnes, he is a hard, unforgiving, unpitying man; he had no mercy, and no compassion! What was I to do? without a home, in the streets of London, humbled and ashamed. and my child about to be born! Were I to tell you all I suffered, you would never forget it the longest day you lived. The world goes on smoothly, Miss Agnes, smoothly to the rich to my father. I have thought also of putting an and the untempted, and it thinks not on the bleeding and trampled hearts, which misery and an unkind fortune has thrust out under foot! It is easy to talk of sinners; me! but oh, Miss Agnes, this is the last time through; and yet, at times, misery and mis- hear my voice. I shall never again see my fortune have made me almost doubt if there child: hear then my prayer," said she, sinking were a God !"

rowing father, calls you back to him!" child of yours ever want a friend!"

ny, "as soon as I was able to travel, I sold alarm and distress me!"

love! Does this look as if I had no love for some of my things to raise a little money, and him off "---

"And yet you could," interrupted Agnes. "That was not my intention," returned Fanfor some weeks; and, when I recovered, it thieves. I was in bondage to the vilest and the most remorseless. I was with those who have no mercy and whom law could not reach. I was sold, body and soul. I had no hope, and no power to rescue myself. Against my will I was now a sinner. Remorse and despair took hold on me; I felt that now I was a loathsome sinner, and the punishment of sin was on me. I seemed to myself not worth savingmy pride was gone, and my self-respect; and all that I longed for was revenge on my oppressors, and death for myself. I saw my poor father's advertisements; but he had thrust-me out when I was comparatively spotless-now I was not worth saving-it was too late! here, as you say, for a purpose, and that I must Nothing but death, and the pity and mercy of wreck, upon the sea of infamy and sorrow, accomplish or die. I have heard that you are God could redeem me, and I only said let me was again to be acted. But a strong resolve

Agnes wept. "Oh, Miss Agnes," continued Fanny, in a broken voice, "it is a lamentable thing to think of a human being made thus hopelessly forlorn-made thus despicable, thus worthless, for, if these things are to be! The queen is a of thy hired servants!" woman like us, and yet there is no pity for us? erly objects of pity, and not of anger and so proud as I was of her-thus to have been

scorn.

"I pity you, Fanny!" said Agnes.

more. But a power, irresistible as death, took hold on me, under the guise of friendship; and, weak in body and mind, I was dragged down the abyss of infamy and sorrow. God help the sooner I am gone the better," said she, her, or heard her, excepting Him who neither bursting into tears.

said she, "my heart aches for you; but you the icy waters of the river Lee. No one saw must be rescued. Let me send for your father it; "a jutting bank arrested its course;" it

see you reconciled."

son. I have often thought of it-of going too end to my own life. I must be grown very wicked," said she, in a tone of the utmost anguish-"very wicked indeed you will think but God only knows what I have gone we shall ever meet, the last time you will ever "Do not speak so, do not think so?" ex- pity on my child. Do not be ashamed of the claimed Agnes, "you only aggravate your sin child of an unfortunate mother! You are good: and your misery by such thoughts. God sees he will refuse you nothing; and so, may God you, and even now, in the person of your sor- Almighty always hear your prayer; and may no

"After my child was born," continued Fan- "Rise, Fanny! rise," said Agnes, "you

"Do not refuse me," pleaded the poor set off to Lawford. My child was beautiful, I young woman, with eyes full of tears, "or I "Fanny," said Agnes, "you wish to show thought no one could have the heart to cast shall indeed doubt if there be a God in Heav-

"All that I can do I will do," said Agnes,

tenderly—"but for your child"—— "Plead for it with its unkind father," said Fanny; "plead for it with him as you only can: and keep my secret from all the world!"

"Promise me, in return, then," said Agnes,

"that you will go to your father!"

"I will! I will!" said Fanny, rising from her knees. "It will soon be all one to me, whether he is angry or not."

"This night you will go to him!" repeated

Agnes.

"I will! I will!" returned Fanny, hastily,

and rushed from the room.

Poor Fanny! It was a wild dark night; and, gathering her cloak about her, she ran through the streets, and onward through lane and alley. in the direction of her father's house, which was several miles off; through that vast ocean of life she went, of which she was but one drop of misery and woe. On she went, now feeling as if the pardoning arms of her father's love were enfolding and sustaining her; now, as if that fearful and heart-rending scene of repulsion and outcast, which had thrown her, a drove her on. Now she thought of the woman whose victim she was: the cruel, the unsparing! now of the man whom she had been tempted to murder; and, like a haunting demon, these thoughts drove her onward. "I will go to my father, and will say, I have sinned bethrough the villainy of others. What is law fore heaven and in thy sight; make me as one

At that very time, poor Jeffkins sat in his Great and good ladies, clergymen's wives and solitary home, and thought upon his daughter daughters, are women like us, and yet on us and wept. His anger had not left him, and yet they have no pity! We are down at the low- he wept tears of love and pity. "Better to est turn of fortune's wheel; and yet, such as have been childless," groaned he, "than to I, the betrayed and the unfortunate, are prop- have been thus deserted! So as I loved her!

deserted !"

He thought on the years of peace and pros-"Yes," continued she "you and other good perity which had been; on his little property; people pity us, as they do thieves and murder- on his good name; on his powers of mind; on ers, because they think us willfully wicked, the little set of whom he had been the head: and therefore the most unfortunate of human of the days when he had gone preaching into beings; but I have not been willfully wicked. I the country, and his little Fanny had gone with loved one too high for me. I was beguiled and him: he thought of Mr. Lawford, his patron deceived; and the loss of my good name, and and his friend; of the yearly dinner, and the my father's favor, and the having ruined his kind intercourse which that good man had alpeace, was my fitting punishment. My after lowed to exist between them. He looked at intention was to be honest and blameless. I his little shelf of books, at his writing deak, at meant to work hard for my child and to sin no the little chair in which Fanny had sat as a child; and, all at once, a gush of tenderness overflowed his heart, and bending his face to his knees, he sat and wept like a child.

But poor Fanny came not. She neared her me! I only wonder that I committed no mur- father's door, and then turned aside. She der. But my course will not be a long one; went far off. It was deep night; no one saw slumbers nor sleeps. A few days afterwards, Agnes wept also. "Ah, my poor Fanny," and the body of a woman was floating along -let me see you ask his forgiveness-let me floated into a little cove, among the withered sedges of the last year. They too had had "We shall, we shall be reconciled!" returned their time of bloom and beauty, and so had Fanny, impatiently. "I will go to my father she; they were bleached by the weather, and myself. I know the parable of the prodigal blown by the fierce winds of the unkind wintry season; so was she, by the tempests of misery and misfortune. How like a melancholy funeral pall the gray sedges bend over her! and the strong ice enclosed her in a cold embrace.

CHAPTER VIII.

Her painful interview with Fanny Jeffkins. on her knees; "when you are his wife, have and the sad and strange history which that poor and unhappy girl had told her, hung like a dark cloud over the mind of Agnes Lawford, as the next morning she journeyed towards her new home. The pain of parting from her mother, and leaving her own home forever, was mingled with sympathy for her poor humble-friend, we were going to say, and

her friend than at this moment. The belief that Fanny had really, like the repentant prodigal, gone to her father, was the one cheering ray that brightened the otherwise dark subject. That voice of agony pleading with her, " Be a friend to my child, and keep my secret from all the world!" rung in her ears and in her heart: she determined with herself to wait patiently, and see what circumstances might bring forward; she prayed earnestly, though wordlessly, for help from God, and ability to do that which was best, whatever the duty at chess. might be. In this spirit she journeyed on to Leicester, where her uncle's carriage met her, together with that very Mrs. Sykes, of whom poor Fanny Jeffkins had told her. Mrs. Sykes informed her, that her lady was gone out that morning, to make calls with Miss Ada, who was going from home in a day or two on a long visit, and therefore she was sent to meet her. It did not seem a very cordial welcoming of her among them, Agnes thought, and the thought depressed her.

than he does.

gouty invalid, who rarely left the house. His for them. sister Colville fancied that she saw in him traces mistaken. It is true, however, that the more active management of his affairs had now been, for some time, in the hands of his eldest son, Adolphus' in the family!" that Tom Lawford, of whom we have heard against the sound state of his mind, however infirm his health might be. His sister Colville, who, since the death of her husband, the learnhim willing to yield up the reins of govern- his destination in life might be changed. Share: and so he fretted and grew peevish, old family tree." and was a trouble to himself and those about It asures and their own occupations, were too now wrote of his splendid life in the East, and to himself in any way. have any time for him, as well as never ended without saying that should her Mrs. Colville was exceedingly angry, but she willing enough to escape from his irritability, course of true love not run smooth, or should said not a single word either of her anger or and frequent ill-humor.

had always done, considered his sister Colville that she would go to India to her brother; but her marriage, had risen very high in her aunt's the cleverest of women. Right glad was he it was only a joke: neither she nor her Aunt opinion. Ada was too proud, whatever her therefore, after the death of Lis wife, that she Colville had any ideas of anything but an Eng- feelings might be, to express them to any living should take up her abode with him, and thus be lish husband in an English home. Ada was soul. To the world her aunt spoke of Mr. the most desirable chaperon in the world for the pride of her aunt's heart: and, from the Latimer as of the dear friend of the family, as his, at that time, two unmarried daughters. first moment of her becoming the head of her of one who had quite a fraternal regard for all All that "sister Can.illa" had done in former brother's household, she resolved that Ada the young people; but for Ada she now began years for "poor Adolphus," who was now dead should marry well. She looked round among to look out for a new connection in the gay and gone, and without the world knowing the county gentry for a suitable husband for world of London, to which now, for the first much of his deficiencies, remained in his mind as a dolt which the whole family owed to her. She had been a mother to Adolphus; and now, it was with no little gratification that he heard I. r speak of herself as the mother of his childam. As a mother, she had already been looking out in the world for suitable settlements and alliances for them

objects of the diplomatic lady's ambition: the Colvilles were so likewise: for if she was a Law- would have been proud of his alliance; many Ada's mind seemed to have taken would only by birth, she had become a Colville by and though she had no children of please; he required much, very much in a on lis return. All would be well, she doubted her own, the large family of younger brothers wife; and, quite aware of his own desirable- not, in the end; but as diplomacy was her pasand sisters of her husband had, ever since her ness to some half-dozen at least unmarried sion, she could not help taking some steps to marriage, been objects of her care. All had, young believe real his own this poiled familiate that and those steps were reone after another, been well settled and well sincerity of character, and would neither be markably easy ones. Mr. Latimer's only sisdisposed of long ago-all, excepting the young- wooed, nor flattered, nor coquetted into com- ter, to whom he was greatly attached, and some

friend it shall be, for Agnes was never more, est of the family, Sam, who had been brought, pliance. The world said that he required so

up to the church, and had now been his much in a wife that he never would be suited, father's curate for some years. The Squire, too, nay, he began almost to think so himself. had a son, his second son, Edward, who was Aunt Colville, however, was not going to be destined to the church from his infancy, the ap- foiled. She had made up her mind that her pointed future rector of Lawford, when he niece should, in the end, accomplish that which should have taken orders, and death should no one else could. She began even to feel have removed the present rector, now well sure of success. People began to congratulate advanced in years. Nobody but the really her on the conquest which her niece had made; clever widow of Archdeacon Colville would and she began, even spite of her usual tact and have known how to manage all points so as to prudence, to speak as if it were as good as make every one a gainer in this family game settled, when, all at once, to the surprise of the world, and the unspeakable chagrin of Nothing, however, was more easy to her Aunt Colville, Mr. Latimer announced his inthan this. Her own brother-in-law, Sam, the tention of spending two years on his West present curate of Lawford, should marry her Indian property. It was very strange, she eldest niece, Mildred, and thus, receiving the thought! Two years was so long a period of living as a part of his wife's fortune, two per- a lover's life. In two years Ada might be marsons were at once provided for. Mildred and ried and gone forever! Could it be possible, Sam Colville had been brought up, as it were, after all, that he had no serious thought of together; the only wonder was that anybody her-or was this a ruse on his part to bring the should think of anything else but their mar- young beauty to terms. She had coquetted with riage. Mrs. Colville had always prided herself others-she had shown considerable frivolity of on the success of all her schemes; therefore, character-her anxious aunt had often been And now, while with a dejected and anx- nothing in this world seemed to her more natu- displeased and annoyed at her waywardness and ious heart, poor Agnes is making the last ten ral than that her dear old father-in-law should petulance in his presence. Had, then, the miles of her journey, let us say a few words quietly drop off just at the right moment for two years' absence anything to do with this? to the reader on the exact state of the family, the young people to have a home ready to re- was it intended to bring her to her senses, or which at this moment, we understand better ceive them. Mildred became Mrs. Sam Col- to wean him of a passion which, perhaps, he ville and a little marriage tour of two months thought hopeless! Mrs. Colville tried the ques-The father had been now for some years a sufficed to put the rectory-house in good order tion in all ways; she redoubled her own attentions to him; talked seriously to Ada; besought "What is to become of Edward?" asked his her not to let such a lover escape; spoke of the of an impaired intellect; but in that she was father, when Aunt Colville first proposed to him scandal in the neighborhood, of the triumph of the marriage between Mildred and her brother- this and that lady; and remembered, with secret in-law; "don't let us have another poor vexation, how, in the secure pride of her heart, she had been so unwise as to speak of the con-But the warning was hardly needful. Aunt nection as certain. What if he had heard of something already: still that argued nothing Colville had managed all that. Years before, this, and was now deserting the field to prove while Edward was but a boy, she knew that himself free, and leave the lady a free course his inclination turned rather to the army than with her other lovers? Never had Aunt the church; and when Edward, with the quick Colville been in such a dilemma before. That ed archdeacon, and of his wife, had resided with eyes of youth, saw a lover-like intimacy spring- no enemy, however, might triumph, she him, had taken upon herself the whole internal ing up between the Hall and the rectory, as maintained, as much as possible, the old domestic management, as was sure to be the it had done in the days of the last generation, appearance of things, -spoke of dear Mr. case wherever she came. Many infirmities, he opened his heart fully and freely to his aunt, Latimer's departure" as a public calamity; however, he had notwithstanding, which made and besought her influence with his father that begged him to spend all the time he could possibly spare with them, and took Poor man, he required now also much and con- according to his wishes, and the young soldier of declaring himself to Ada if such were his stant personal attention, and that of a kind embarked with his captain's commission for wish. It looked exceedingly well that Mr. which his valet could not give. As he had the East Indies, feeling unbounded gratitude Latimer spent his last evening at Lawford. grown older, he had become much more fond, to his aunt, and evincing its continuance by Ada was perfectly charming, mild, and gentle, not of reading, but of listening to books; he sending to her Delhi scarfs and Indian toys. and the very ideal of what Latimer's wife extremely disliked being left alone; he wished His career so far had been a brilliant one; and ought to be; but for all that, what did he always to have some with him, his daughter his aunt's favorite phrase was, that "he had say at parting? that he had no expecta-Ada, or Mrs. Colville; but they had no time to engrafted the laurels of military glory upon the tions of finding her Miss Lauford on his return. And thus he left the house, and the Edward, from his boyhood, had been much next day left England, without declaring his him. And thus his family, who had their own attached to his young sister Ada, to whom he passion, or endeavoring to secure her affections

she find no one to her mind, she must come her chagrin to Ada; that she kept for her own Mr. Lawford now, as in his younger years he out to him. It was a favorite joke of Ada's, breast and for Mrs. Sam Colville, who, since her marriage had risen very high in her aunt's her, and none seemed so desirable or so suit- time, they went during the season. But a able as the one whom destiny, it was believed, great change seemed to have come over the had appointed for her. This was their neigh- young beauty. It was the working of a deep, bor, Mr. Latimer, of the Hays, a gentleman of earnest love, her aunt imagined; and therefore, large independent fortune, who, having now, after having again unsuccessfully schemed and for several years, been his own master, had planned, she thought it wisest to leave things established for himself one of the finest and to the in so doing, she returned to most unexceptionable of characters. Mr. Lati- her former wishes regarding Latimer. She was The Lawfords, however, were not alone the mer was one who, both for his worth and his convinced that he would not marry whilst wealth was universally courted. Any one abroad; and, in the meantime, the bent which had striven for it, but he seemed hard to prepare her more completely to fascinate him

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The next day. - Your letter, which this moment has arrived, distresses and alarms me. Jefkins, you say, has not seen his daughter. Oh, God forbid that she has deceived us; or that she has again fallen into evil hands! Poor mother, is it not true, that the gratitude of these poor prople has often left us mourning? A dark and sad mystery involves Fanny's conduct; and my heart bleeds for the anguish and agonizing uncertainty, which her father must experience. Here, as yet, her name has never been mentioned. You did well not to speak of the strange secret confided to me. It is safe, too, in my keeping; and God, if he designs me right time. As yet, however, one part of poor Fanny's prophecy seems far from being fulfilled. There is a sort of coldness and distance between my cousin Tom and me. I know why, on my part. I cannot disconnect him, in my mind, from that poor, unhappy girl; and feel, as it were, unpleasantly conscious, in his presence, You ask about my cousin Ada. She left home, one is not prepared, which give the idea that the impulses of her nature are good and kind; but pride, or reserve, or perhaps timidity, make her general conduct cold, and to me repulsive. Our bed-rooms adjoin, divided only by a dressing-room which opens to both, but which she keeps locked. She allowed her maid to pay me all little civilities. I am not an exacting persou; I would have been thankful, at that time, for but one kind word or act. As it was, I sat in my solltary bed-room and wept. Do not think me petulant or unreasonable; but my heart, for that first night, was desolate, and felt how great had been its bereavement.

"The family consider Ada very clever. My Aunt Colville says that she is a true genius, and has great intellectual powers. I doubt it Colville came in : she seemed greatly pleased, among them, hats were taken off, and a huzza -at least so far as original talent goes. Handsome, however, she is unquestionably-nay face, with those peculiar large, dove-like eyes, which my father called the family eyes, and which I now see are those of dear little Harryand here I must put in a parenthesis. I have had a letter from those dear boys-a kind, beautiful letter. Arthur says that poor Harry is getting up his spirits famously, and has even had a little fight on his own account. Poor Harry! I cannot tell you how I was haunted by the sad expression of that dear child's face would hardly forgive me. I must be subser- glass windows at the discontented faces around as he sat keeping back his tears, while they waited for the coach. Arthur is so handsome and manly, and so capable of defending him-6-1f-but God, and a good brother help poor Harry with his loving, gentle spirit, that never was meant for a tough warfare with hardship fair cousin Ada is the darling of the we must contribute to the family glary; we kin he said a spirit of broth-rly consideration also from her being so handsome, and from will do this, Aunt Colville will be as surely our severe laws and enactments, which the rich their having the idea of her great abilities, friend and patron, as ever she was to poor have made to keep the poor in awe. Oh, aunt, Ada's powers of mind, and fine character; so yet to write to the dear boys. I treasure up heart of poverty, when it craves from its felalso does Mrs. Sam; but as Ada herself, during every droll anecdote, every comundrum, every low man the leave to toil and that is denied it?

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> the finnce of Ada; it is with his sister that she wintry days, seemed so far off, will come with is now visiting. According to report Mr. its birds, its flowers, and its sunshine; and Latimer is the very summit of perfection; but thus it is with our hearts! May it only please which appear to be personified in Archdeacon Colville, I expect—pardon my heresy—nothing more remarkable than good looks-wealth which I know he has-and self-possession-

perhaps self-esteem.

"You ask of my uncle, and my aunt Col-Jefkins! his attention to you has indeed af- ville. Nothing could be kinder than my uncle's feeted me. How good, how thoughtful, how reception of me. I was taken into his roomreally delicate is his conduct. Let no one talk a sort of inner library, where he spends most of the bad hearts of the poor! Ah, dearest of his time. He said very little-but words were not needed; he kissed me-looked into my face, and wept. I wept too-and that abundantly, for my heart indeed was full; and I saw so plainly in my uncle a strong resemblance to my father-that peculiar cut of countenance, which made the last generation of the Lawfords so handsome. It was my father's face, only much older and without that expression of superior intellect which gave such for an agent of good toward that unhappy, de- a marked character to the face. My uncle serted child, will make all known to me at the wept as he spoke of my father's death, and lamented that 'politics and other things,' had separated them. His heart I am sure is kindly interested in me; and with him, in his little library, I feel at home. He is a great invalid, and suffers much from the gout and other maladies. In his intervals of ease, I read to him. His own children, he told me, do not of the sad secret of which I am the depository. like reading aloud, nor will they read what he wants. I read to him the newspaper daily. It on a visit of some weeks, the third day after comes in at breakfast, which is very late; my arrival, and that without our having advan- and as we are then altogether, and mostly col toward any intimacy. Ada seems to me alone, I read it aloud, and Aunt Colville generto be rather a paradox, a mixture of openness, ally stays also to hear it. If my uncle were or perhaps impulse, and decided reserve. She too ill to breakfast with the family, I would says occasionally abruptly kind things, for which take it into the chamber, when his chocolate went in, and read it there: but as yet they say he is in unusual health. We read novels, of which he is very fond, and works of divinity; and he pays me the compliment of liking my reading-so did my dear father. Oh, my uncle knows not how often I have had to cheat my poor heart into the belief that I was again in papa's library reading to him! They have none of papa's works here, nor do I believe that they have, any of them, read a single page of his writing. They all hold extreme opinions in religion and politics; and aunt's words, and perhaps she might have reno wonder, when Archdeacon Colville is their apostle. His works are here; thirteen vol- from whence the church-war lens and other ofumes, bound in purple morocco, richly gilt. I was reading one of them one day, when Aunt and as the great family coach slowly drove the only time I have ever seen her appear welcomed them. Women, with children by cordially satisfied with me. Her veneration the hand, or at the breast, were carrying away beautiful. She has a fine, oval, Rutherford for the archdeacon is extreme; and there are, the cuts of bent; and men and big boys were after all, points of view from which her charac- whirling away coals in barrows or hand-carts. ter is far from unamiable. To me, however, Everybody looked eager, but by no means was generally speaking, she is cold and harsh; she there an expression of universal satisfaction on wishes me to devote myself to my uncle; but every face. Many were discontented; they I fear that decided kindness towards me on believed that their neighbors were better suphis part will displease her. So also at the plied than themselves; they looked angry and rectory-she wishes me to amuse the chil- envious. dren, and to gain their affection, but were I, in | "Yes," said Aunt Colville, as she sat in the mistake, to gain that of their mother, she great family coach, glancing through its platevient, humble, and useful to every one-I must her, "it is a privilege to be long to the better give love and devotion, but I must look for classes of society, for there is a natural depranone in return. Aunt Colville has a great deal vity and hardness about the poor." of family pride; but the family consist only of herself, and her elder brother, and his descend- vindicate the poor as a class, " but society has ants: we, if we would please her, must minis- always dealt so hardly by the poor, it has madand unkindness! So much for a little thought, ter to these, we must have no little asprings poverty and crime synonymous. The rich and by way of parenthesis. I now return to my on our own account; what little light we have, the poor are not bound together by deeds of family, in part from being the youngest, in part must sink ourselves to exalt them - and if we and forbearance; but they are separated by Aunt Celville says very much to me about Adolphus. But I must now conclude; I have is it not enough to harden and sour the very

when I consider their notions of perfection, God, that we, whose hearts are one, may yet form one household; you and L and those dear boys! I dare not think of it, but try to say, in all submission. Thy will, not mine, be done!

"Adieu, write often to your own "AGNES."

The winter was severe. Christmas came with its carol singers, in the snowy and frosty evenings; the church-bells chimed forth their sweet psalm-tunes; holly and ivy decorated the Hall and the rectory; the doles of fuel and beef were given to the poor; and the county newspaper, as it always did, made a paragraph about the well-known, seasonable munificence of the Lawfords of Lawford. There was a poetical sort of feudal sentiment about this Christmas at Lawford, which had its charm to Agnes; but still she felt, that here the poor and the rich were separated, spite of seasonable gifts, by a wide gulf, which no sincere kindly sympathy bridged over. Very different was all this from those little festivals of human love and human brotherhood which each successive Christmas had seen under her father's roof.

"I will take you with me this morning," said Aunt Colville to Agnes, on the day when the doles were distributed; thinking to impress her with the munificence of the great branch of

the family.

Aunt Colville, enveloped in velvet and fur, sat in the great carriage, and Agnes took her seat beside her. She was in a very gracious mood, and as they drove along, pointed out the Grammar School, and the Alms-houses which

had been endowed by the family.

"It is a proud thing," said Aunt Colville, "to be the main branch of an old line of ancestors-the direct family line, I believe, has no stain upon it-all its men were men of honor, who served their God and their king zealously and unflinchingly; and their women were noted for beauty and purity. I am proud of being a Lawford," said she with dignity: "and though, in the last generation, we had cause to deplore some things connected with the family, yet the main branch has ever re-

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As Agnes sail, all was greaty at the Hall. It was a late of ring, but any of the most beautif il in met ite; and the re ke in the old clair out now and then; she looks quite ill: I wontres were not bus, rhilling their nests, and der that Mrs. Sam or Ala never think about, "is he your brother?" asked she, addressing r j i ing in the sunlight I a'm sphere which hatar I their tree-t pa, than were the inhabitand of the Hall them is ; there were parthe on horseback in the mornings, and dianerparties and denies in the even nest this was on the outward surface, but there was an unler-current of excitament and expectation in the Learts of Aunt Columbia and Alia, which. though unconfessed by either bely to the ether, was the Land ; rith of every act, a and sectirent; and this was the approaching return of Mr. Lat.mer. Wenderful was the kindness and attention shown to the Artens and to Mass Bitten; nothing was too much to do for them; ten I many were the drives which Aunt Colvilla to k to the Here, estellily to coll on her from the to in table, in reality, a sort of pride, by and, and the time when Alla Interest to and mainteness.

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no love for Aunt Calville; he delights mignistly requisily such chopped straw as this," said thwarting her: then a perhaps, the true he taking the book forcibly from her, "but

for once I'll do it."

"I shall resd to you this morning," said be. Agres' thoughts and steps. ent-ring his father's room; "Agues must go b.r. I tell my Aunt Colville a month ago; and Agrees save that she has never been out" ---

The oil man looked astonished, and asked her if she were ill, and told her rather sharply, again question her. that if she were so, she ought to have told him, "for," said he, "I do not think you have ever found me mar assemble."

"I am not ill, unde," returned Agrees.

"Then why did you complain, child!" asked La pettialiy.

my cousin Tom was so kind."

"It's only right that she should go out into the fresh air sometimes -- every day she ought got to say. to" -- sa. I Tom, interrupting her.

man; "lut then, who is to read to me!"

"I shall read to you," exclaimed Tom, "I am not fond of Tom's realing," said the cell man; "but you should have some fresh air. I would r Mrs. Colville or some body does not

think of it."

Nothing tou hes one more than kinduess and consultration where it was not expected; and as Agnes that morning took the walk Agnes. which Tom had desired her to take, and thought of poor Factor Jofkins and her strange prophecy, "He cannot help loving you, and you cannot help leving him," came vivilly to her mind. She recalled his whole believe of ring the time she had been at Lawf rd, his outward reserve and probe and his many little mats of solded, can't to be his him Her And Col. were not for off. value treated her with harding a man an inferior. as the tax to dite t we to the grant proper in them. report devery little site may took has been of his magisterial activity, had waged war an part of Agree. The franch of the house came desperately, the rest of her willingsome to love them who have the part had pulled of earth at her were it is a spit bur leave ; and the property of the way in the terminal property in the second of the state of the same of the same and the given able of the same and the same armount and he first with resident of him to had but he to the first but and a second him " he " and a single of the second of the state of the same hand, booking we as, with their a same of present the deal bely of your First of State or some 1 plant for, and when expenses for your lands. to warm to the bound to be the part of the begins full and form on the same of Fig. on the property of the last time. ty wheters you the term I want to make the plant plant out the way to the term of the term. to the transmitted to be a state of the stat And the second s a state of the last

has destined her for the wife of my cousin, prised and some what affected by his kindness, making chains of dandellou steers, with which This. Poor Tom! Le has come out of that "I t indeed I cannot go this morning; my they were ornamenting a bright-yed arriverlocked cherub of a child, what was sout i in his characterist. a and which I am beginning "It is enough to kill you," said Tom, looking the lap of the ellest girl. The taty, which to think, hile many good qualities. Ton, very extrest, "and you shall not read this might be about a year and a half old, was under an outward show of great respect, has morning. I am not very fond of reading about, laughing and screaming with delight, and throwing about his beautiful rounded had in an costasy of childish glee. It was a levely picture sque group, and metantly arrested both

"What a beautiful child!" said she, putting back the rich curls from his sunny for head;

the girl who held him.

"les," said the girl, but with a peculiar hesitation in her manner, which made Agnes

" (the year, mines, all the same as brether," returned the girl, coloring: "mother always recknishim one of the family," -aid she, and hugged him to her boson.

Agues scated herself upon a fallen tree beside them, and the two other children, a boy in "Nordal I complain," said she smilling: "but a somewhat regard wit, and another will urchin in petticoats, betook themselves to a little distance, won l-ring what the lady had

"Is this he autiful little creature an or; han "Yes, yes, to be sure it is," said the old then?" asked Agues, interested both in the haby and the girl who held him so lovingly in

"Ida't know," returned whe; "but the squire sent him to the house when we were there; and as our little but y d. i, n.other took him, and so he has lived with us, and we love him as if he were our own."

"And where is your mother?" in pared

"Oh, miss," sail the girl, tears at once filling her eyes, "mether is very ill, and I must now go to her."

"I too will go with you," said Agnes, and accompanied the girl with the child in her arms, half a mile farther on, d wn mto a deep, so hided, woodland have, where, at some dehindren. Notherly evidently thought as much tance, stead a green caravan, from the red about, or cared as much for her as he did chimney of which assent dathin the smake. Her was a light leave her, but there was a The regard had and the arches in pathwater

"Is that your home?" ask I Agree, com-Mrs. Fam I growly watch hall her words and probabling at once that these were some of these wandering patters or takers which were Alawas absorbed by pleasure and her own not unfrequent in the meighborh sed, and against or the she was cold and harghty, and whom, as she had heard, her uncle, in the days

and went, and no one mirely of her to them. The girl tell her, that her father a bit brushes For Agrees! she went sashe walke for the table and wester ware, and went to and down the that primare covered come, of which her country, and that her other brother went with father in beylevel had been food, and which him. Their mether, he werer, who had been also hed report days plant of process to men to the total wars, was rich! I f. strainte to may, on that morning he lim the extens which he have new and that the the spirit were to the faction. And the would now you and approve her of the window serialis seites haven her seil which the who was contained Agrees off real to being the "Ny and Agare, wastering have been all god of the said the said the said part for hill be the programme. granted the birts and age that all the sectional and the the rade of a blacker to be the trade ealy to make. Adopted by agencia with the other two children who were hand "I will prompt be with," and I man, " with over her, of her really from the and for her time entering his me her time west they intime, even and and health and best best best built in printing of the party of

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that is all the more distressing to me. You then a bundle of baby-clothes. With these, and other such words, she took see, miss, my own baby died-we were in the 'At length the time came when my hus- her leave; and the woman, assured and some porth use, for ours has been a hard life-and band's imprisonment was at an end. He re- way comforted by her presence, watched her as this had no one to own it, neither father turned home-if home that might be called through the open door of the caravan till the nor mother. I took it for my own. My hus- which was no more than a roof to cover us. windings of the lane concealed her from sight. land was as good and well-meaning a man as The six months of his imprisonment had. This strange and unexpected discovery agiever trod in shord-rather when we married; changed his very nature. He had associated tated Agnes greatly, and as she hastily pursued but he off-ni-d the squire and the rector with men ten times worse than himself; he her way back to the Hall, she endeavored to with joining a political club in Leicester. He knew now that he was a branded man, and he ascertain what was for her the best mode of was a reading man, and was much sought after was in reality deprayed. The severest misery action; but she could not decide, and with her at clubs and alchouses, because he could speak that I endured was in perceiving the change mind still in a perfect turnult of feeling, she very well. He was then a sort of under bailiff that was come over him. When he heard that reached the Hall, amazed and half-alarmed to on the squire's farm. But envious folks told my baby was dead, and that in its stead I had find how long she had been absent. Her Cousin les of him to his employer and the rector; adopted another, he was very angry. He Tom's groom waited at the door with his horse, and he was young and thoughtless in those refused to let me have it -he threatened to tear and the ladies were returned. As she passed days, and would not be warned to avoid even it from my breast. It was not ours, he said, the drawing-room door, she heard an eager disthe appearance of evil; so he lost first one and we would not burden ourselves with it. cussion among them, and presently Ada's voice, place, and then another. And the squire's The child was dear to me as my own flesh and which said, "There is Agnes, ask her." har liness and severity, and the rector's together, blood"- The poor woman paused; she wiped; She was called in, and found the table and and him a spirit of hatred and ill-will, the drops of sweat which stood upon her brow, sofa covered with materials for splendid eve-We had children, and we fell into poverty: and seemed overcome and repressed by the re- ning and ball dresses. Old Mrs. Colville and one article of furniture after another was membrance. paraed and sold to get us bread. Nobody Agnes listened in breathless interest, and grand party, which was to take place in the would give my husband a character; and our without saying a word, wiped away her own in eighborhood in about a fortnight, and by which very neighbors, who had known us in our tears. better days, looked shy on us. Oh, miss, kin large and confidence keep up a man's self- the woman, after a few moments, "to hav | there was now a difference of opinion with respect more than anything else! We came parted with the child; but, fortunately, a letter regard to Ada's dress, whether it was to be a soon to feel as if our being poor had degraded came from some unknown hand, offering to my sliver gauze over pink satin, or a gold-sprigged and deleased us! My husband went to Leices- husband the sum of ten pounds on condition muslin over white. Ada, secretly remembering far to get employment, but none was to be had, of his adopting the child, and removing from the the night at the deanery, when she were the He came back, after an absence of some weeks, parish. Ten pounds to a man in my husband's pink brocade, and made so much impression Intuished. It was winter-time; we had four circumstances was a sufficient inducement to on Mr. Latimer, inclined to a dress of the same children then bring-when my husband had do even more than this. He laid in a little color; her brother, Mrs. Sam, and Miss Bolton, left home there were five; but one had died stock of such articles as are used in country- advocated the white. While he was away, and the parish had buried places, and we began our life of wandering. "Here is Agnes, let us hear her opinion," it. I expected that my husband would have Success attended us-but my husband was no said Tom, who from the window had seen her grieved serely, lat he d. I not; he shed not a longer the open-hearted man he had been. A approach. tear: he only said that he wished the other four hard, cold, griping spirit had taken possession . There is no need to ask her," said Aunt Were under the sed with little Bessy. I was of him; he hated the rich, and had neither Colville. expecting to become a mother again almost compassion for, nor faith in the poor. We now daily; we had no food; house-reat was going travel about from place to place. The life suits on; we were in despair; and oh, God help him and the boys. I took cold the first winter step on the stairs. the poor who are driven to despair! It was we were out; for it is perishingly cold o' nights | Agnes was called in, and the important winter-time - alluk, bitter frost - and we were in the caravan. He has had associated, and is question proposed to her, and the respective dying of cold and hunger. My husband had brutal and surly. He never has liked the child, elegancies of each dress dwelt upon at some because reckless, and almost forceious. He God knows why, though it was the means of length. called the rich tyrents; and ground and his having a hvelshood in his hands. When I am grashed his teeth when he heard the children gone, it will have a hard life among them." cry. My time approached, and I sent to old "But," said Agnes, "you have a daughter, a ball-dress; besides which, she was alarmed to Mrs. Colville to beg help: but she sent me kind-hearted girl, who loves the child." word that she could relieve none but persons "Ah, miss," said the mother, with a deep so long. of good character. At that moment the sigh, "my husband will bring a step mother to cializen, who had gone out to beg, came home the caravan I know it all! I have seen her, a do not know indeed to which to give the precrying from cold and hunger. My husband stout, strapping quean, the head taller than me. ference." was reused to fery - he went out swearing a She was in jail when my bushand was there, and "But which do you think will sait Ada the I set I could. The next day we had plenty to Heaven knows how she has gained so neach in- best?" asked Miss Holton. est; we feasted—us and the children: God fluence over him. She has offered to come here | Agraes considered for a moneut, glancing knows how we had needed food before. The to nurse me, and take care of the children; but first at her beautiful consin, and then at the third day after that my husband was taken up no!" said she, raising herself, and with an all two dresses as they hung side by side; "I I r a possiber, and sent med to six mouths' most fierce expression in her hollow eyes, "let | think the pink would suit her best," said Agnes, ingrescant and bard labor, and we were her come into the caravantif she dare, while the "but now in led I must go." tak a into the house. In the milst of disgrace breath is in my body!" and poverty, and distress of mind, my child. There was something desperate and almost then turning to his sister he inquired if Agnes was bern. The night that it was bern I heard savage in the woman's tone and manner; and would not be of the party.

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continued; "some said one thing and some an- and love, by his unhappy mother. His father, had not been impatient; and that his having got ctier; but the squire sent the child to the as the letter from the unknown hand and the cut to his bath chair was a very good thing; how, and oil Mrs. Colvilly came herself. She tin pounds proved, had acknowledged his and then, again tirming to his sister, he inquirwas very andry. But was a proof cham. She fancied that m his clear eyes and el whether Agues was not to be of the party. of the weak the wall hard-heartedness of the his pourh-like complex on, she could trave a Alas and she did not have been bed not been the properties child was abandoned by its resemblance to his wretched mother. A deep invited; but there was no of ject, on to her apin the Samuel the poor folks in the house sympathy, an inexpressible tembers on a wards ing with them. and I with her, and others took against her. I, him, till I her heart, and while her tears fell "My dar," interrupt- I Mrs. Colville, "how for any part, who had gone through so much, upon his carling bair, she chaped him in her can she go in her meather, which is very . It that depart we had felt he had arms, and he, too began afraid, baked up had a children would be very unperhaps in a dutie heart of this child's methor her face with the beautiful countly a continue of child and in the largery." that I had joy on both it and her. There was a first to the house to transmit that I was well a the part with an if Typy and fact, and picty of wallerly awake to a new it a, " if I have draw it and not like to the well and the well in talking the freely to you of traducts. toy was a kly, and deal My heart, I know not how I came to do it but worky. the this territory that had no mother to miss, you will not in any way be tray me!" Carried to so I good to it my baby's mann, and "Indeed I will not," said Agues, in a title of

"In one sense, no," said the woman, "and Mrs. Colville even approved, and sent to me will send him friends!"

and career I him tenderly. This then was the this way!"--"It made a great talk in the house," she child which had been committed to her care. Tom began easierly to say that his father Larl and willed.

"But little Johnny is not your son?" in said that it should be mine in the place of the warm sincerity. " and I will come again to see one I had lost. Nobody made any objection- you, nor will the child be uncared for; God

the young ladies were making purchases for a time it was expected that Mr. Latimer would "It would have broken my heart," continued be returned. Tom was with the ladies, and

"There is Agnes, ask her!" said Ada, without noticing her aunt's words, as she heard her

Foor Agnes! she was in no state of min L just then, to enter fully into the merits of a think of having apparently neglected her uncle

"They are both beautiful," said Agnes; "I

"Stop ?" ered Tom: but Agnes went, and

the woman talking of a young child which had the Little child that was playing on the floor of "How can she?" said his aunt, impatiently. the caravan, looked up in her face, and terri- "She must step at home with her uncle; you Agues started at these words, and breath. f. I, began to cry. Agues took him on her know how difficult he has been to manage this I wait awaited for the continuation of the knee, and southed him; she streked his har, merang; it is thoughtless of her to go out in

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Agues iest wounded; to here it seemed as if of voice which she in vain tried to repress, she replied that she would stay at home.

"Well, I see no great hardship in it," said should."

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"She is my niece!" said Mr. Lawford, in a She shall go to-night, if the likes, and I will be towering passion, "and I insist upon it that a good chaperon to her, and I will do all I can she goes!" to get her introduced to partners and people; "I shall not take her!" said the lady, with but if she knows anything of parties of this kind, she knows very well, that these a girl The two might have proceeded to even fiercer have a product in the room, or have great contention had they not, at this moment, been beauty or first to brancher into notice since interrupted by Agnes herself, who, still in her that the will be even be like a little in the new dress, and with eager and delighted aston- real and I k. which is a real and it is the

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up the little brille path through the daugle. He stool. Her mother, however, bade her take looked unishally has beene and gay, and was him out, and Agues and she were then alone lashing his riding-whip in the explorance of animal spirits. He d. I not see Agnes; he had not the hast expectation of meeting her there, and the leafy bushes concealed her as he passed; and, or and by his own thoughts, which, whatever they might be, seemed harry ones, he never looked behand, and Agnes, with a fishing cheek and a stillenly-lesting heart, wat had him till he was out of sight.

It was a small incident; but at that moment it cannel a great agitation in her feelings. "Almighty Father," prayed she, inwardly, "preserve my heart from alliling into any unworthy pussion. Give nie grace to know what is thy will, and ability to do it. Be then my friend and comforter; for beaute thee I have none!"

expecte to that which her could had taken, should lie near them; for that reason we came. The dinner, however, at the Hall was since woodland lane, and presently came to a little sylvan nock, where bublied up a remarkably fine at ring, which was said to possess med that virtues, and to which the country people came for water from a great distance. A little girl was filling a lectile as Agnes came up; she was story and it was not until she pass that Caralag.

"Ch. miss," as I the girl, her countenance Sillery Land ... "I am so glad to see you. Mater is so twill sir camp t get up now, and I've come to this siring to fetch her some wator, they may it is good for sick ! This!"

"I have been to some for your before," said Agree " but you were not in the lane."

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"And how as the tony 'ank i Agreed there. fully, walking que kly to keep up with the girl. "(h, h.m. " replant she, and crimb more PLAD ETET.

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The girl shut the door, and, taking up the As she thus sat, her cousin Tom rode slowly child, sat down with him on a three-legged me !" together. She then raised herself in the bed; and fanning her now flushed face with an old handkerchief, thanked Agnes for thus visiting her. "I have thought a deal about you," said she, "and I don't know what it was that made me at once open my heart to you as I

"I wish to be your friend," said Agnes.

am not long for this life; but there are some began to reveal itself charly; she blessed (red made my husband promise that when I die, he her to Christian acts of love and service. All own father and mother. They were decent appeared; a light and theerful spirit of wiffolks and have a gravestone of their own. It secretice and devotion to others infered new may not matter to me after I am gone, but it vigor into her mind, and made it easy to say. She rose up, and walk-I on in the direction would make my end easier to know that I "Thy will be done." She took the path which led to the sequestered here. My husband hates Lawford and all the and constrained. The only one who seemed folks in it, and we've suffered sorely, sure quite at his case was Tom, who laughed and enough, among them; but, for all that, talked with more than his usual gayety. Alla I must be buried in Lawford churchyard who expected within so few hours to meet Mr. Another thing, however, is hard; he Latimer, was allest and thoughtful; so also wen't let me send for the clergyman, for it's was her father, who, though he had overcome oil Colville's son who helped the squire to his excitement of temper, and who knew, on put him in juil, and brought all our troubles on reduction, that it was no use of posing his are-Agrees re-captured her to be the girl from the us I But God help mad am I to die without ter, yet thought it only right for the suke of his the surrament, or so much as a prayer read be- own dignity to keep up seems abow of resets. la m.a. Oh, miss, I never thought to have ment. Whilst Mrs. Colville, as was always the deal like a beggar in a dit h! And then there's case on such occasions, attended to the proper. the baby," continued she, as if her pent-up heart the of the table with the gravest of dealers. must vent all its troubles. "As I told you, it's ors. rightly mone of mine-God knows whose it is! But my hard concells that it belongs to the dress. Hall; and though as it were, we were juid to take it, he haves it because he hates all the Law! wis; and she that is to be n.y children's ster mother when I'm gone, will be the death of the child!"

Agues thought of the surly-countenanced man, and his hatred to all the Lawfords, and a shidder ran through her; but of this she said nothing. "God will find free is for Tom. the child," she reglied; "fear net, but put your trist in God, and He will provide friends for beth !"

There was an earnestness and an assurance "No, to," and the goi. ' but when mother's in her voice which fixed the woman's attention,

"I can see," continued Agnes, the hand of as she had never shown towards her before " (rod w.i. prov. la f r l. .. ' and A. .. , (indat work for you; only put your trust in) Agrees was taken by surprise, and the take trustilly; and without and or with the your saviour. You have jut confi- and she; "indeed, durent Ala, I amount? These A strong that man, with a worly, somewhiled dense in mer; just or addense then in Hun, who words of yours, then kindlesse of yours, the

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Jeffkins' child, her thoughts fixed the macket and the buly, roused out of a rosy "only for the present, put confidence in God,

"And who are you?" asked the woman; " at l why do you thus care for me?"

"My name is of no consequence," returned Agnes, remembering the hatred which the woman's husband cherish i to all who bore the name of Lawford; " believe only this, that God will send you comfort turning

With this Agnes, after premising to come again, if possible, took by theate; the han was gone from the steps of the carryin, but the ugly dog growled at her as if in the spirit of his Budsler.

It was with quite d.f-r-at f-ilags that Agnes, on her return, thought of the great party at Merley Park, and of the morthicstion will a she had endured only a few hours was regard. ing it. That part of her duty which had haner-"God bless you!" returned the woman. "I to seemed to her dan and inexpleable now things which are very hard with me. I have that Hishand seemed thus unexpectedly leading will bury me in Lawford churchyard by my craving of her own personal indulgance was

The ball-going part of the company went to

"Where is Agnes?" asked Tom. as Ada. beautiful as human skill could man her, came into the drawing room ready dressed

Agnes at that moment cuter 1 actions to show her fair cousin that she could feel syn ; a thy and interest in a pleasure of which sale was not allowed to partake.

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"She stays with my father," said Ala . It is most not is and unwhich of her " action -1 she; "and I wash, Tom, you could have some bow charming who looked in her to a drew I wish you were general. Again, I wash, and L from my well time you were." ... I day allow ing her with such cortail enth of the

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Mr. Latimer," said he, again raising himself, "this is my niece, Miss Agnes Lawford. | -Frank's daughter-you have heard of his death perhaps."

Latimer offered his hand to Agnes, and said that Mrs. Acton had mentioned her being there.

"Yes," said the old gentleman; "poor Frank Las been dead these six or seven months-per-. I. re.

Agues glanded beseechingly at Ler unele, for her father's death was a subject which it was painful for her to hear spoken of. She felt Latliber's eyes upon her, and blushed deeply, she

knew not why.

Never was old Mr. Lawford so merry in all his life before. It amused him beyond measure, to think of Mrs. Colville, and his son and The later of the March of Park to the second Mr. E. M. . T. and he was and the title !! A - although she bull got not think. 1 - - - - - 1 - - y 1, 1. - 1 lebely - . 1. 1 1. W Lay and E

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could not help being infected by the old man's one most out if frame and in the old gentleman personade him to say spirit. They were sitting the total the view of he is a secret relation to the ladies ret relation to the ladies return to the ladies retu to the limit till to as the work as a advant, and listen it is the drawing room, which we have the the state of the s open, and with an air of the utmost importance, herself, whether he had ever read her father's that of all things he shou [] ;] ;] the footman announced "Mr. Latimer!" works; she passed them in review through her Agnes Lawford sing, yet he would not stay. "God bless my soul!" exclaimed the old gen- mind, and dwelt mentally upon the particular "He is a wayward." perverse fellow!" said theman, rising from his chair, and seizing in passages and trains of thought, which she the old gentleman when he was gone; "but what a laugh we shall have is a spainst Mrs. Colville and the others." which had always suggested itself to her mind, that this was the husband her family desired for her. She thought of Ada's cold, reserved, and haughty character, which, until this very evening, had evinced towards her so little kindness and sympathy. Ada's conduct to her was inexplicable; but then Mrs. Acton, that worthy sister of such a brother, had spoken of her with the warmest affection. Yes, there was no doubt of it, Ada would be his wife, his beautiful wife; and in spite of coldness and haughtiness, there was true womanly noble feeling in her soul, and, being there, would not a life-long companion like Latimer, foster it and call it Agnes was in her own chamber, neither one nor forth in the most beautiful bloom as the sun the other hadany part in. Agnes was writing to calls forth the flowers of summer?

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After this, Latimer rose to take his leave, nor

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En Lesitate; "and as you have seen Latimer, you cannot wonder at it. Mr. Latiner has remetely and directly been the mainspring of my actions from the day when I first saw him. was then a girl of twelve and he a young man of five-and-twenty; he was the admiration of my garlish heart. I went to school and even there cherished a r multip passion for him; had my besome frend, and to her confided the has well a little and let which I were next invitant -two lies of his han lariting! Oh, Lawrence Strawn Lawrence, " Soil size, String; "two lies of tender petry which by chance had the into H f passes. B My amount, of inv wh g. w ng fanc, er stel a ver- mil. . Dia abit manile passin which was in your reason. by my own farming and by circulation, when it sever took I returned home, and because the areas as a year lady of a tree lette protesse as in the world. Mr Latituer was the in the the tank is the total at the h re, and n re week to be built a years were In that, however, Albert I is away with the communication the regard was a little ; so ; at the time, and even yet so he had be cause! for two years, I have the had a very an ere regard to Mr Latimer town and the artist of love went to be I had a life to be I Had be been that that the first was wind but in party Aran, I am I at a limit were I for the same that the was wind my and a telephave be all the all the area of the a crawther; but he was a late at the was the late of the the to be suggested if a finite of the last test to be suggested in the suggest of the suggest o ever above, when a visit the true is the true protect of a bight read to the true to the t of he relucted who are well as were her and the new real and the plant of the state part pringers to are it in this war has a supposed by we produce the first order to the first order. is a sill buy fraction to the first termination of the property of the propert West on a sure of the second state of the second state of the second sec else bull and promite the formation of the profession of the profe Wind be not to the world when he have not been the house the law to be and the law to the party of the party Walliand to war in wait for a first the way, that to estimate the and a fact that I have a first that I have been a first to be . The way was a first that the property of the first training the property of the first training to the first training training to the first training training to the first training trai of the fee, and I feel to a fill the first that I had to the first ture that I was profile to the first of the late of th the second of the second of the was the second and property and a line of the state of the And the second s THE RESERVE THE RESERVE AND A SECOND PARTY. the second of th ------

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Agnes fell on the neek of her cousin, and wept. " (Th. Ala! salishe, "this generous candor on your part is far a clar than merely the highest intellect!"

"That may be," returned Ala, "but I had literary ambition-that, however, has been humbled; I will n w try to do well, and to leserve that affection with- my prayers!" out was a my life would be a blank!"

CHAPTER MV.

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"He's a villainous looking fellow," continued Mr. he did not raise them, and swore a tremen lous cata, his deg!"

"'Is this the language you use to a dirgyman?" said I. 'I tell you what, fellow,' said I, 'I'll have you far a ter than the power to write am with verses-is, put on the treadmill is r twelve menths!' and with that he began abusing me-sail he hatel clergymen worse than the devil; that we were all bype rites t gether, and that he would not give a fig's end for a bushel of

> " Drealiul" sail Mrs. C lv.lle. "It is insufferable," said Mr. Lawford.

"These are your rall als, your dem erais!" sail Mrs. Colville, glan ing at Agnes, who took the greatest passuble interest in the whole history; "and if so h wretches as these are to be at large," continued sie, "we shall be no better off than they are in Ireland!"

"That ishow would commit murier as so n as lick at you," contained Mr. Same; "and he as god as threatened it. I told him I would have him sinmoned, and his himmer taken from him, and give him i-alty, and thankful to a, me any way to be an agent of that which he should remember the light day he to a virt which we have to to prop Jeffanis. She came lived; and with that he hade me do my we esty called D. at it to be the best of the service with his me tyrant, and bit less ker, and that all the seed. disgreen and the charge with his trabappy girl had breed, and generate he of Lawt ris at it ivilles were la i up n mer. The cami, she teli ham, was rund. while and a traily hade me to go about my bushess; bue les rome to have brady the character of the fir that if I stayed much higher, he would not be I pla it when hends it was, the tiles of answerable for the lise, then int fish and the war as who had hotter to be on a mother to it, and blood, said he, 'and there's a larg unsetted as 'the her is a reason, real conference shan we appeal between us yet I said he; and with that, tremining it in the regard with a law had feet towards her laterally with rape from health feet, and as willer as a fair to be a to his to we will rere, and by the corpse, he will be to the ugly der, and thread into

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> "I know," said Agnes, venturing a remark for the first time on the subject, "that instances of noble disinterested tenevolence, of self-sammine and devotion. are not so very rare among the page. The charity and k.n.tr-se at this alass one to an therare en ugh to make there has I the a -called charitable blush. I believe, if I may so expressit, that were it is t for the pear, in many cases the poor must person."

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"Alas!" said Agres, mildly but sorrowfilly, "how hims dad I expect that. I thought the affirte n with which you had been visited, had purified, at the same t mathatit had ser keny set! Carist, who endured so En 10 1 for the sales, pray -1 for his mur berers!"

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"No, it is not I ght," refirmed Agmes, "but G d lays and permits none to be laid, wh. I we have not strong h to bear! You have been 477 i u to the dist, but he has not forgetten you. He has placed in your hands the child of that unfortuthe mer. Her end is better, but (red is merelfor and in the very betterness I can see her cure. He was suffered Mary Maginione to wash his feet was bortears is not loss meruing is not loss for all first veneral new than then. I' ? Fantly's him was latterly one of ain, but Te I kn we, if the soul committed. Is not distrust (--- l, l'ar frant," ea, i alea, laying her hand settly on us arm. "I believe that there are greater subjects, are let when the wer, i brings no a cusation, than Fig. 1 to First date to the end as, and by her accusers, to cant a stone

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CHAPTER XVI.

THE dinner-bell had rung tosh at the Hall and the rectory, where all the guests were assentled, before Agnes reached by me. There was no one to die there that day, but Armes and her un le; and the cripenterman was very attery that she had not returned in time to wit down with him. He had taken his sont, and was hely over his befind capen with a she external, Sie never had seen him so augry with her before, and what was worse she could bet give any satisfactory account of that will he had betained her said ago She had been no farther than the dingle at the lettern of the park, and yet she had teen away quite three hours. It was a very the nightness thing of her, he said, to go sauntering about by here it in lon-wine places in that way - h we will she toll but that she might most with that i... w Marchmont, as I even worse than he? It was very major jet of her! He used to think he said, that Mrs. Colonia colligianted of her owers notions without cause, but he smould not think so any lenger now !

Through more than half the dinner he scalled her, at I the ugh the remain ler of it he said is thing at all : and Agreed, who was more occupied in mind and no reasstated in feeling by her interview with Jeff kins than even by her unders distinct in a line well him to main-

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They entered the drawing-room, where there were evidently signs of something beyond an impromptu dance The moment her Aunt Colville saw her, she came to her also a ross the room, her countenance giving evidence of regorous displeasure..." What in the world has posseased you to come dressed in this marner? It is quite a disrespect to us all! And what could make you stay out so long this afternoon? You ought to have been hack long before it was time for us to go. It was very thought, as of you; and now to come dress in that frure!

"Never mind my dress, dear aunt," said Aghes, assuming a cheerful air. "I am only going to play."

Her cousin also whispered to her, with meat when tion in his count names, "That she should have put on her new dress. And Ala says," saul be, as it he knew nothing of the matter, "that you have some handware new creaments - why did you not wear them? We all wanted you to leak your very best to-

Agnes made no reply she thought of the last time she had seen him; not many hours before, when she had turned the hand of almost a murderer aside from him. How little can one human being understand the heart of another! Tom thought that Agnes was out of huner; and really, out of humor himself, he turned hast...y from her to first with the somest girl in the

"That is Mr. Frank Lawferd's daughter, who has sa' down to the plane," said (reorge Bridgert to the gen-

t. steam who stood text to him.

The gentleman looked at her through his eye glass-"Same a deviced pretty figure," said he, "and has beautiful eyes! I on my word, I think she is a protry guil I

"But devilish ill dressed for a party like this," sail Gorge Bredgert, loud en ugh fer her to hear hom

At this mon. at Mrs. Acton, who was only just then aware of her teing in the room, seated hereof by her, and taked to her sindly and cheerfully.

Mrs. Sam in the meantime, had duly inf rned the company that bloss Agnes Lawi rd was so goed as to off rules as few qualries. The young people were | declibed they came flowsing in from the gard 's bring a g a cool, trash air with them. All was bustle and animation, bows and animas of beseeching and asing his master, "when she went, that him Agted houst penting partners, and new the quadrice was formed, and Agree began to play. She played beautifully. people ward, remerking that it was designed to date a Name of the Column a was not and and the transfer the the the the transfer a test to a great man al genius. Mr. Latemer dan ed with Ala. They, tw, had only come in as the qualries was formed, and Agree La | Dot ex hanged a word with him

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saw her beautiful figure in its elegant dress fleating | Agues hoped to herself that neither he nor his sister | & Dg; eleteca, of passing, the lovely hand, and en- would say this to any of her uncle's family, and this deav red by a gettle presence to convey a realing of the brought them to the Hall. love and tell lerness that was in her heart. But Ada was Low .signing gaily wild her partner, and looking again Ale Lajjest, as Wen as their viest in the roum.

"It is all my own hary the nitt Arnes. "Mr. Latiner's laterial Will he all the hot Ala; but knows limit he does you and here a to as the last, because I am has pure at all the worst- draw a put in the resem!

Sur read to her as gay as too rest. long brid-TILL TO LIVE FOR CILLS CONCERS WERE EVER Irany Sur . a laboration to the laborate gentlewoman, that he could no longer think her ill-dressed:

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while Mr. Latiner, however, could not find his betval, rwhilerhe wished is rtag ireals air, and the " - Queleveled walk or whatever haght he had he -Live, he surpresed Artes by Juning her outside the der and a coming her with-" hermit me to be your she arose the next merhing. ACC " ... I. Miss A. ..., Mister Cliny Bervalt,"

"I watert, Brown i. Mr. Lat. mer, ' sa i Agnes, stepland the contract of an about I quite preser Film he her, two as in treat and you went that he t to law light robe 4 at 1 to Forth the real part for term!

I. t. a for the and one will be the first arm, with the are the many will have been way; and yet turn later to the transport of her interests, tool for he's a large state of the later to the total state of the later to the lat ier, I calmed his beheveren e though her very with the strategy to have but on this occasi n . Thes to hereif, she felt her hand within his, and Feet Lig ap in his arm, and then she was wanking step in at property and sales They was and both as why and P. .. I. A timust of strange emotion was in her Lead, a short spiritual combat ensued, and she won, or real to w. s. a valuery over here '.

"My warm A la is beautiful! Sail she, speaking lie

but " religion of her seil-vat ; . - little lit.

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"I wish Mr. Latimer would be more attentive to Alm," thought she, as she entered her chamber for the might; "h wever, the very next time I go cut, I will dress myself in hey very best, and make the very most of hyself, and owe hotellight of hipasson hill

You, wo make was it has there we have single was night that fill well, she took a strict and observery of the true connected which existed relatively between Mr. Lati-I or, her cousin, and herself; and there was something In To I man in the last at the time at the time and that the hard the tree in the time that the time of time o or that casualty, which was the man pring of Mr. Latimer's behavior, Then, as regarded herself, how differ- dress! I declare I am quite provoked when I think of N (...) ist the most averal of inversation passed one was her to in ; n w t was his , i , w'at it h. , i , w'at it h. , i , w'at it h. ; i , w between Mr. Later and bereen by when that first evening of their meeting, when she say the Quadrat Vaschief sure termined to delice homere with thy reveal 1 to him all her did extract the Lat night, a common a total to the second of the instrument to play. From a cause which was, ago! It was love which she was admitting into her Easter John Town Committee to the last the last the was so the contract the last the last the was so the contract the last the la qualities were the arrangers will proper as the right of the two lives to the right of the right one. Mr. Latimer took has place beside her, and that, the late is to her keep in the with the late of the late. who had declined dancing, sat on the other aide of the really so make a from those, It against the lar at the t I the Alam to I better the ribed her held the I, to the alter to be at 11 th or storage y I at. Landy a the least enumored of whom by no mer's heart, however rich the prize, it could only be at | who was it that walked home with her last night? the abs was the balls mederic resired were around the purchase of Ala's Lappins, letter to the start ter, this realists. A new new roses the the thoughton Is could suffer than do this! sails on The true is the for her to take, however, seemed hidden from her. She Mr. Latimer would be so unpleasant to poor Ada," "I will I wall from part you in the Vacant chair heigelf rail, and all some later water we at I was relieve ter a disc. the figure Address, as hir. Latiner's hand around her. Shee blow not that which was relater, was gone untiled per was halfever. This is, is well-I for it control as a consultant para of her property of the constitution of the const In a Control was within a clear at the atter and there all the leave laws ri. In a great most relief that all a ting state, what has been grant, tor, her rest nes rereit per bally Jeffells' 4 of blus, how, was bushly lacking after the damning, child was fulfilled, if not to the letter, yet is by as t and she noticed this mal-apropos adjustment of per- the spirit; and now she had duties to perform to . "I asked Sykes this morning," said Mrs. Colville, Chers, to herself, to her white he will be the tell ment to her at "I i have but put with a last quairme well," said had been as a father to her. Her days the door, . However, I'll find it out! And then there Mrs. than we had determined a nothing to the was alike to prome to the well-bern with hing," began Mrs. Colville, evidently on a in real and the market is the state of the s trust that plant all the part to get the grant paper. She know not. However, she had a true to a find mental surely that was not be?" Fratient ve to page, and say, turning to Mr. Lati- counseller in her mother, and to her she deter. Tom laughed aloud; "No," said he, "nothing of the I. " and he is so perty tomay, it was almost cruel minest to write. She had related to her al. that had her uncle in Scotland, or her brothers, or some is the rest. 'I have again she would be mine of he is I winer' God it and he would be made. "I want to was questy he tree," was I detuce, aside to findly cannot, and her advise should be her grade. In could you think of such a thing!" ! ... Mrs. " in., " I w. i make ho acters," the meanth, she resulved that nothing slower induces "D.t I be not fir while the same and space any one to go ther to medical the medical trible in the first try, her to be wind to a send Mrs. Sam, who know that support would be represent for represent the place for the black has a prospecte in the representation of the place for the black has a prospecte in the representation of the place for the place was with her union and him alone. Shock terminal to My servant small wank with her," said Mr. Latimer, avera Mr. Latimer's somety, and even his sister's, and girl has that, with sit a penny to her tirring to was, namely to be in parties, had heard what not to give them any reason to suspect the trackers. inclinations of her own leart.

Such were the resolves which, in the stilless of the Dight, A med made; she prayed earnestly for the assistance of Heaven to strengthen her in this at fall filter trials; and with a stronger and in the cheerful mind,

CHAPTER XVII.

A stripts and the was passed wheelv Ala She had felt that Mr. Latiner & becauser to her terengh the even-, , attenuels courts ous and very fremily, was not that Plete was a sum that he has maked, to plet at of the devoted lover. She had were outwardly a day, untrodical counte nance-s. ... had hard and sing, and accepted the attentions of propie sile cared not ing about hit how that she was as he, she pave way to her real feelings. Sue wept butterly; she repressied Latinier in her mind with the preverbal the Latin yes Late stray was similar in re. An poor Arnest has sex, she really it call up all her we latly it le, with a sentiment which she went I not have dared to and be equally indifferent. Hit that on the etter hand, seemed caser said than done; a miserable feeling, as if everything was a blank, lay upon her soul; ay to even of prote and "wednestly spirit" And then there solution stips reaching solutions that she might yet Will him - head, '. il sire was, and werth you han; she Walled to last and and got the about a last last the term to the second Show will be them so he wheath it her heart had been. As to lisation one to Arrest be was interested probat ly well to rir the hoveral cases as She had known him Citen, in fernier years, have her, the werst ijed queen Volv in which her just, of I destroy if you is, of the room, to dance with, or just attention to some interming mark term I know. I came to see any parent in A. most r ber lather a sake; also had expected that he her, aby I am or divisional that size in cost be areasly in- would be by; and it she hers if would charge child It was also you is it. A mes here also state of the contract of the parties and feelings, and pursuits in sincerely."... property to the property of th "I think very hardy of her pearse" said Mr. Lati- Ahl These were of the first that the re-remer may a would be Agreed week and mea- may she awone with the freely that it in valid to strive sured, "and I know no one more capable of developing against the natural character. Reserved and proud she your family, and much trouble." promite that Ala. I will want the training the state of t to all a parameter a later than it is the ment of the later than the parameter of the later than the la with her but the month of the work house the but to him even, of what she had do not relie To I was have it and her of later, she will trul it, sake; not even it by a too de ing five in ant the ! If the the direct, he had returned as he wert, then how " Sue has fight it already" sail Armes, warmly, samely while the lave been till, then heart we will ever A distance of the partition of the parti ster and a rest to the rest and a few days and a few days

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"I am in that with with Mr Latter race the

"Nor am I," said Tom, at ruy t. v.

"Then you observed how maintenanth seemed had at her?" askels e: "Ih pet decly else d. !"

"Very labely med," returned I to, "total work very naturally anvestothe subset I take a -1 I thought he seeme limited in rectal, wert A. "! L' L UJ

"It is very write of Arresto de urage let. I am seeplanenoughly which do the least wat he attention-it is very wrong of her! In ver ever ; } we should have been have gary live at rawh. L. t. and especially w. .. Mr. Lat. er! It is Mrs. A to that the had not rune, to a see was given in men her me. - and then to think of continue

"It is you wait, ," wait I have you had the him to be a line of the line of th had donor are a to her self, "that Mr. In" Time and that attention to her because she was not remarkably will dress didn't yet, after all, stored ? !.

" For our sweet Adals' sake," said Mrs. Colville, " we out to a leave this is it is a first to the and the second of the whole when the second of the um las, it is pette t in taret ..., I am - 1 to the else; and show shows i as the use of the same of print per fill a fine of the first to the fi had a mulet to ask her procedure to a to be at browdast, but I the well the very war and of the bear

"I den't ku w," said Tem; "I Hill the wrate a bragerttek man to a to the till dont nyself. Dat I can to te tit it, ' t la'

Walked h. L. With her."

"Well, I have spoken my mind to you," said the old lady, "and we must consider what is to be done. We While country has planty at he, her white me not and

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up his mind as to what he was to do.

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"Atel and laver! South he "total yet he to go o'r spraking, I have but one and I I aver we have conceal it any longer; and you must be a been aware of it-I love you, Agnes, most desperately; most

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"It was in " and I Then him and I all and elegated a contract the same than and a same to say that I have the morning of I am his way PRESENTED FOR DUTING A VARIABLE AND A CONTRACTOR OF THE PERSON. And beny lines Bayers 2 to 4 to 5 to 4 to 5 (f as 1. y complete profes with a site a at law of at 1 the tarties and hady may be a catalant and the transfer

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"It cannot be I" returned Agnes, in a voice deeply Agatated.

"And why not?" asked be. "What can possibly prevent it? My whole lite shall make you happy; and I will than that, Agnes," and he looking trader's later her then " shall make the three to the half here of long your has been built with the in while you have ever me. I have a ready for a first

"I believe of a truth," sail Agnes, "that a very noble ! nature her within you. I believe you to be capable of every good sentiment. I bless God, indeed, if I have been the means of awakening one better thought in

your soul-but your wife I never can be."

"And why not?" demanded he; "there are no difficulties that cannot be over time. As to fortune," said he, that perhaps that was in her mind, "I want not a farthing with you. I want you and nothit I more - well are far dealer to her than a million of manny, and as to any differences of opinion-there are nine I think as you de; yet have hever uttered one so it mount, however my Aunt Colville may have made an outers accept it, that has not had a response in my coal heart. You have been like the light of truth to me: you have dispersed many errors. As my wile, it will be my pride to make you happy. Where, then, is

' i -er o tsin." sail Agnes, lacking at him with the Its at the field y can for, " you will give me ormeld to r tratification of character -y . it can be heve that what I say, I in a . and that I would not will, ug, y say anything which should deeply wound you, without having grave and physical transfer and the trust and its I.m com. .. Beineve me then when I say, it is impossithe frime to temperary our wind. I leve you as a cour, freid and brother; you are more interesting to me but that yet down to have of the said of events

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" amount of the rest has dely, A tres," said he, the [ati-st.v, "What is a vertice f and like tel or a sester mainled have her year level" when the mar' man 8 a limb is war or a mairil. Agnes felt that the time of trial was now at hand, the you have almost invest him to despair; and yet con-True is a thing bet to be was sucht, and the falled willed and the falled and the falled will be to page and appearing in property would and measure. Hatrus heart, Alues, clarks, Sar comment to be to as a neith init, a devotion which deat to dry can east, I make him a continuing can win from you note theretare their this, then towerd outling a man them when she releases him, strature as AB . L. F OLG C B. . War to le to the . Tawh-all the . L' . . . to paradex may appear - prode the total larger. I - . Des tures of may Aunt tolo ... , ' said he in a tone of b. ter- ci deep compassi in t r h to trust in her power Loss, " may u t, a ter a i, i a so very Lobe is wrong - t over him for good; grat tode i r much kindness all may be true, that you are his my yours hi as a rival to pleaded for him; but she there was another voice, Alla.

...let.y startled by the worls. "Al., no! (not i rial) that I should do such a thing! I will to w be came! I with year, because I am when that you deserve that I should be so. The whole attent, he which Mr. Latimer paid me last night transmed magreatry; how that all worth I have place I him by A his side ! And there things, sight as they may be, have determ ruley was to think over my plans, I have already Tale, I talk, will prove to you that I wind not

"There is no need for you to leave us," said he, "and away. last by rese ting my suit! "Trees there yet remain an | loss came not back to dinner; but he was eiten so to say, "Well, then, let him have her, with all my

y u. I was a general words, of a truth, about a new novel of Mrs. Cores. It was a quet even-I run to say to it they will explain all to you" She man is of the household, whatever old gentleman tyon it, one thing was certain, and that paded, for an Laigivell here if a difficult tank, and majist be their true inward feelings, there was a great was, that Agnes must get it was not without an effort that also thus continue! Contward serenity. Agnes, however, grew sometimes un-

In the to the by one whose life was your sarribes," tirted,

t.riel ja.e.

that afternoon in Woodbury Lane, but she did but dare career of our and misery, whe intrusted to me, upon her to trust her voice in speaking of him. ; ... ten in knees, the chair plain, will metaken views At length when it was one and that the first the same sentiment was in each breast, and y a were dearer to terr to all late. "

I im present his hand upon his brow, but made no

torrown that Latt let treet, I i in the chart in the Caravan at the see prop Marchine List who were in this renty land. Last you have we have Lastery of the part timel, said she "as well as I do."

" And what is then that you have been plaining and to dealing Water Carrier William | Tarty of the Manual Late . ev. Intelly mentioned at the total manager because

that there if you il continued to her, has here I have illust can be and her wil all how was at the public of contract the terral and the laborated teller the fair sale is a territories and it amountains leading where I be t I was and the term and the transfer with the section of the sections and the section of the sect have he had there had a had a dirt Mr. Co. v., pe. I there is a section to the service of a feet of the se a religion, and the whole have been been the letter, "that yell and the see the see har beyon but rethe last will have being the lit wall want to har

to, against me " definite in him. " thouse are seemed of the Air is sea ; the fair of the first of a year of the grant of the contract of the contract of in ... et a get to tout " and with the we were there-

Was all attended to be and the training to

"You pressed me very closely," returned Agnes, "or tented as they can." Iw . to the area of it. I'm new trutit with The expectation of heart to be a remarkable to area, but I am the a You may sind our let it, her he are the the first time I remarkly and it you do, a light thing, to win the love of a | days, a cheerfulness over the mile of A. i. .. If. The golden where you could be and he restitution, only in ther also entering an provent of her could be exert truth, and justice, it is not so. Thus it is, I candidly is the approval of those whose and instice, it is not be to the truth of her war a sent to not confess to you, outre as my notions may appear, which It was now time to announce her intentions to her rela-

me-very kind, when eithers were but so-this it was notice done. which kept inv heart free ir in any warmer well, by at than friendship and gratitude. These I have always felt | Agnes went first for you, and these I shall always feel; and I always will by all that is soured and dear to you to have to the was a great and an awill shi!

but price and an evil elirit warred yet against the

god that was in him.

"If wanted, contained Again, "We did it is faille. ful to virtue, but only in their own persons, but for . virtue's own sake, and would feel, as truly is the case,.. that the whole sex is injured if but one woman fall. then how differently would men treat women l',

The evil spirit within his heart some stell to bim to you can have not be at his deep levelor you."

low will may I would serve you. but in the some pare and truth at me to your server to remember I fee and errory with which these were is well as the pare and truth at me to your server to remember the soldered with which there were is well as the soldered with the solded with the soldered with the soldered with the soldered with the ticular I cannot ! That you love me I sincerely believe, gression ? I acknowledge that I have sinned. I will carried conviction with them. "I will believe you."

strong in its sense of truth and ritt, which sail her-I - Mrs. Giv. le, then, say so " Askel Agnes, and to that she listened, although it compelled her to a Lar I task.

" bleak, Agnes," pleaded the young man, earnestly, "say that you wall not cast me off, and my life and all

nes, in a broken voice, "but we must part !"

mined me to leave Lawford. My spirtary walk this, to her heart, " and may God biess you, but you have pleased.

prepared to meet his late, he turned an I sowly wanted white that something would occur to call her away.

1...; asked he impatiently, as he yet asw very eccentric in his movements that but little notice heart." Leryalo and distressed continues. | Was taken of the circumstance. Mrs. Calville and Ada "language said, " on the good that is within sat in the little library in the evening, and Agree real "Istare I came to Lawford a sail secret was center our intertion of leaving

I'm drigged the hands which he had hed and; "I wonder what is become of him!" sail Ada, after her lather had retired for the Light.

"in the last evening of her unhappy life, " con- , Agues would have by by the had seen him

that troight on her an her an interest as well as herewis, when a'an ionesi. To the last the first last tour best tremareaderie and at we amend -"I think it very strange could be Agnes. We makes off, and was to say, that the pertant headers had collected yourselegated here in attending upon your thexpectedly taken him ir in heme: that his port- un in. I am sure that every reasonable attention has Institute the sent to him at Les ester the less, and that the fallent in the sent in the sent to him at Les ester the less, and that the fallent in the sent in the sent to him at Les ester the less, and that the fallent in the sent in the sent to him at Les ester the less, and that the fallent in the sent in the sent to him at Les ester the less than the sent in the sent to him at Les ester the less than the sent in the sent in the sent to him at Les ester the less than the sent in manteau, with such things as he enumerated, should | been paid to you : you have been treated by us as one tiline of his return was be britain.

> Noting Mr. Lawtor that he would bus mess, his raniway properting it on your own account. shares to look atter, and in a too attempt what; Figure absence caused no astonishment.

CHAPTER XVIII.

THREE, for, five last written quietly, and then a lefter came frages trem bermetter. It was such a letter as she expected. And new her kind our lerate the engraved for the come to have a second be to bear. he sail as a data hier. He remained to her he bey I Ther parties, and arrain of the war. I when show was to color to have a long to home." "I want, however, said her motor, towar a the act of ye is leaved no maintenance in the last the last management of the ar letters Aud to want of the West formed heatory to were wait are the rital; they are to good heat. . And are want a well, but poor Harry told it very hard to spend his perlant avitter harris have the war at his, so that the for it Buttoning for them but to Sainting and the are one

kept my heart safe while it asknowledged your native | tives; and, after all, as she expected it would be, it was goodness, and whilst it blessed you for being kind to a very difficult and paintil duty. But, however, it

Ada was at he in her dressing posts, and to her

"I am come to announce to you, dear A la" she sail, "that I am sh ruly about to leave you. My mether better ver e within year each til, which even he are and my unche wish me to go to the me-but I shall promises you for having treated that as a tring want he verlong tyour kindle as" -- more she could not

Hektev that every worl which she said was true, "I his who wit is, said Ada; "I suspect it as noted When I is Well away by Branching-you have bluse !

> Appen was taken by Surprise, she con red de juy, and their turned paies,

> "He loved you very dearly," continued Ada, "and, spite of some few drawbacks, he is a very noble fellow. I think that you have acted very unkindly by him, for

turn her words to real tile; to question even whether "throughter es, returned Aglace, "have made no the faultiess Latimer were really without sint but his seem-on, so unwindingly on my part-to do unkind newly awake he land ter painter and the spirit, thin a topological target and a top a top a his answer therefore was of another kind. ... not seem to bear them ont, are quite insults. . I, there-"Alles, so the, ill a very who a write the heart i rewill make no probest has but lie who reads the but to hear, "is my crime, then, like Cain's, to make heart, and knows every secret action and in the like Cain's, to make heart, and knows every secret action and in the like Cain's, to make heart, and knows every secret action and in the like Cain's, to make heart, and knows every secret action and in the like Cain's, to make heart, and knows every secret action and in the like Cain's, to make heart, and knows every secret action and in the like Cain's, to make heart, and knows every secret action and the like Cain's action action action and the like Cain's action the an outcast forver less my error, which may that I have not made I by unkindness or mere have its paratrol, excipte the liver from here? Wayworders, and that I be nothing but the most dis-

many and the reparation in the property and Ada, "I will give you credit for acting truthfully, can require from me. I will acknowledge the child of and perhaps, though I cannot see it, wisely, in refusing that williamy print I will ballyon ask, ad you do - my brother. It was, however, a 1 Ll wish of my heart that you night have been has wire; and I lear how that wire; an tame, I am sure, would not refuse him.

' I am ull love henrietta boltin, requel Agnes, Warmly, "H sae Would hears your brother happy. I am deeply threshed in him, much more than you can

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> "What, he has been taken up, has he ?" asked Mrs. Calville trianiphantiy.

"No, nor I hope is likely to be," replied Mr.

Mrs. Colville was not gong to explan any hopes of Mr Latimers, however extraor linary they might be, so she left him to continue his parrative.

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"It seemed very much like it," region Mr. Latimer, "and as I do not happen to have any very violent prepains a mainst the method stall - here again was an avan street."

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m hi Mr. Latiner's arriva, had she is a break surbeam which," sail he, addressing Agnes "will I am sure. What could have made Armes happer than these titings! This, tion, was poor Jeffkins going forth upon that masses is to whe had a been mair menta. in calling him. I brhaps this was the happened in much of her his; her own let be private trouties and unvertainties sunk into nothing as she thought of J. Mains, an a rent in (red s hand, and the source Mar himont the first-fruits of his faithfulness, tend had beesed him. and his laters. The sik we man and the child to would both be saved spiritually and temperaty. Sir could not hear be depressed. Whatever the evening mught be to the others, to her it was a happy one; sie was raised out of here.f; and when Mr. Latimer made the most kind inquiries after her me ther and her brothers, as if they had been his own triends, she had for getten that it was for her was that the was detect. in the open-heart-d sample ty of a brad Christian "Marchmont removed his caravan," continued he, love, she teld of the poor boys who were forced, a garely against their will, to epoted their beilayea: school. "Por lais," she said, "I wish they were at L "for L" Mr. Latiner made many in puries about them stri, and at what a hood they were. It seemed to piesso h.m. just as much as it pleased her, that he knew sometions about the gratieman with whom they were; they had been menters of the same college? some menths-Mr. Latimer's course life having begun just before the other gentleman a terminatel.

All this was very pleasant; and then arrangements had to be made relative to the brainate Park p. z. : of the merrow. All regarding this day a pressure had been thrown into confusion and un ertainty by Time s absonne, and Agnes also had felt great diff. they timber erating or unatances, in becauting one of the party. of m. n will i, from Mr. Latimer s lips, poor Mrs. Col- All was right now, however; I am was to accompany vile was of just to tolerate .- "I too betook thy self to his betretued and the Actors, and Mr. Latiner bal the place where the sound presented, and which was now to propose that the party from the restory and the that little Merley Common on which Marchiment scare Hall, of course including Agnes, at . . . I take I in he a at the Hays, which was in their direct way to bradgate, and then that they all all proceed to ther to land, by and antequating what he expected to be the two point of rendezvous in the bearing a park where the A-t he would meet them ; in the said three o'clak, Mr. Latiner st.; what ing for two poets . reof driving Ala and her cons.n .n has harebe. the site that make a pripat of the steps of Mrs. Act n. where party this was to be come of of his caravan. The press her was a stranger to me, a claimed the privilege of providing viables for a - 1 man perhaps of sixty, a man of the w thing class, how- co. aften, which was to be streat in a new beauty, a soul 1 ind part of the park I re was ... hiel in gray fash. on, and coffee, which Herrita so it to prise t herself in making w.'h great ekul in the tree cor. Detetal manner, was to be en vel as r. h colles can calv be the run by enjoyed, in the creater. The lailes were to siller, the jet Least, were to be as am. at . a as pressled, and all was to be perfect

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now faster than ever; and now," said she, looking at |

her watch, "it is half-past twelve."

It rained all day; there was a damp, chill, comfortless feeling in the house, which made people think of the delights of a fire as the day wore on. In the afternoon a servant came over from the Hays with a note from Mr. Latimer to Mrs. Colville, full of regrets for the untoward opposition of the elements, together with two remarkably fine pine-apples. The pinery at the Hays was noted for the fine quality of its fruit. Mrs. Colville read from the note that Mr. Latimer hoped that Ada would accept them. Heaven knows if the words were really in the note, for the old lady put it in her pecket as soon as she had finished it. Poor Ada! she | ing the voice and manner of an injured person. almost forgave the rain.

"It's very pretty of Mr. Latimer to send Ada the handsome pines," said Mrs. Colville to her brother, as they all sat at tea together before a fire which was lighted in the little library. Ada divided one of the pines that evening among them. She was unusually

lively and amiable.

THE next morning Tom Lawford made his appearance at home, and Mrs. Colville had a private conversation with her brother; but one subject is quite enough at a time, and we will take them in the order in which they occurred.

Tom received the congratulations of his family with a very well-satisfied mien; one little remark, however,

of his father's disconcerted him.

"I consider," said he, "Miss Bolton a very charming girl, and perhaps a little too good for you; she has a handsome fortune and good connection: I have nothing to say against the match. It is time you got married, and you have my entire consent; but I had hoped, Tom, that we might have done your poor uncle some little justice by providing for his daughter amongst us. Rich women are not uncommon, nor handsome ones either, but such girls as Agnes are uncommon. But fathers must not choose for their sons; and so, God bless you, Tom, and give my love to Henrietta Bolton."

His voice was broken, and the tears rolled down his cheeks. His son seized his hand and grasped it, and

left the room without speaking.

After he was gone, Mrs. Colville came in; and Tom, expecting to find her sister alone in the dining-room, went there, but Agnes was with her. He started; but, mustering the emotion, whatever it might be, which he felt, he said in a tolerably firm voice-"I am obliged to leave home again for a week; my business in London is unfinished; you can tell my sunt and my father-Good-byell"

He had hardly glanced at Agnes; he did not speak to her. His conduct was natural, perhaps, but it troubled

and distressed her.

"I must leave this place," again said she to herself, "this is his home, and I drive him from it!" She dreaded announcing her departure to her uncle; and indeed, to her, the parting from him was very grievous. But, however, this little incident with Tom decided her to a prompt and firm fulfillment of her duty. "When I go to him, after luncheon," she said, "I will tell him, when he and I are quite alone together."

In the meantime, as we said, Mrs. Colville is having

an interview with him.

"Brother!" she began, seating herself beside him, almost before his nap was ended, "I have some little

matters to talk over with you."

The old gentleman was a little out of humor, and a little out of spirits, and was not at all in a mood for an unpleasant communication; but, however, he was destined to have one made to him that day either by one party or by another, and there is no opposing one's destiny.

"I suppose that Agnes has not told you," she con-

tinued, " that she wants to leave us."

"No!" said he, "nor do I think that she does-why should she?"

"Yes, indeed," repeated she, "why should she? but however she does. Her mother, she tells me, and her uncle in Scotland, wish it; but that may be an excuse. among them can she have a home like this? the same

advantages, and the same class of society? However, she tells me that she wishes to go, and that immediately!" "It is very odd, and very unkind not to have men-

tioned it to me !" said her uncle ; " I thought that

she was fond of me; and I take it as very unkind-very unkind, indeed ! What am I to do without her ?" " Very true," said Mrs. Colville, " and so I told her; I told her that she was behaving very ill. We offered her a comfortable home here; she has been treated just like one of the family, and you have been like a father to her-I told her all this. I am not at all pleased with her, for I consider that she had no more right to go away in this abrupt manner than a hired servant had !"

"Do not talk of it in that way," replied Mr. Lawford, sharply: " Agnes was not anything like a servant here ! She is her own mistress, and if she can be happier away from us, we have no right to prevent her goingbut however, that is not what I expected from herand I'll tell you what, Mrs. Colville, there's a something at the bottom of all this; there's a reason for it," said he, raising himself in his chair, and speaking with | him. that energy which indicated a coming storm : " there's a something, Mrs. Colville, which I do not yet penetrate somebody has been behaving ill to her! You do for you?" behaved very ill yourself to her, about that ball at Merley Park : and " he continued, with an oath, " if her leaving us is caused by anyone behaving ill to her, I shall not readily forgive him, let it be who it may, Mrs. Colville Inc

"Do not put yourself into a passion " said she, "I

can explain it all to you."

reason, I say, for her going, Mrs. Colville, and I'll at your own time; when your own heart can bear itface, and know the bottom of it!"

"Bless me !" exclaimed Mrs. Colville, with a suddenly | soon !"

way? What's Agnes to me? Do you imagine that I state of her own heart, troubled her; she feared that plot, and cabal, and get up intrigues against her? Is the true state of her feelings regarding Mr. Latimer this the return that I am to have for all my anxiety, and | was discovered-she blushed, and her uncle was all the care, and thought, night and day, for your family? It more confirmed in his own belief. is not kind of you, brother," said Mrs. Colville, assum-Poor Mr. Lawford looked bewildered and dumb-

foundered; he knew not precisely what to say and therefore was silent; and Mrs. Colville, making use of then, when you marry let me know; and don't be in a the advantage she had gained, continued, "You are right in imagining there is some motive for her conduct, | you; but I should like to know, for I consider you as and a powerful one, too, and I'll tell you what it is. was convinced that there was a something myself, and ter return, I can give you a dowry." I have watched her narrowly-poor thing! she has lost her heart to her cousin! I saw how her countenance changed when Mr. Latimer mentioned Tom's engagement to Miss Bolton; and when you said that you wished he had chosen her, she looked ready to faint !"

"Poor, dear girl!" sighed her kind-hearted uncle. "It is very unfortunate for her," continued Mrs. Colville, " for I am convinced that she is greatly attached to him; and I do not blame her so much for that, for Tom has fine qualities—and however much I blamed her at first for leaving us, I can now see reason for it, and I think we must not oppose it. Tom, as I said, has fine qualities; I have thought him much improved of late, and I fancy that he is much steadier; but when he was about being married that was natural."

"Poor thing!" sighed Mr. Lawford; "but I tell you | Hays. what, Mrs. Colville," said he, again seeming to be on the verge of a passion, "if I can find out that my son has rode over to Lawford. He had several reasons for going

my forgiveness!"

"There is no danger of that," interposed she : " Tom knows what he is about ; he has been thinking of no one but Henrietta Bolton, I will answer for it; and it is a pity that Agnes thought anything about him ! "

Mrs. Colville made it all appear very intelligible to her brother, and very easy to be accounted for; but how much she herself was convinced of the truth of it

we know not.

The rain continued; and, later in the afternoon, as Mr. Lawford could not go out, Agnes sat with him, intending to take an opportunity of breaking the painful talked of them with interest and delight. It was now subject to him. How kind he seemed to her, poor old | the time of auriculars and ranunculuses; and the little gentleman! His heart was filled with such intense compassion for her. He had said many a time, that if lovely grounds belonging to Mr. Acton. The gentlemen he were a young man he should fall in love with her- of the neighborhood were to send green-house plants; he now wished that he had another son to give her. The truest proof, however, of the reality of his affection for her, was his willingness to part with her, seeing that the happiness of her life or the peace of her mind made the leaving Lawford needful for her; but she must not leave me altogether, thought he, pondering on the subject even in her presence-she must come back again to me-we will hope it is not so serious but that she may come back again! He looked at her tenderly without speaking, and the tears rolled down his cheeks. "What is amiss, dear uncle? asked she, "what dis-

tresses you?" "I've heard it," replied he; "your Aunt Colville has told me, and it has cut me up sadly: but we must not be unreasonable with you; we must consider your

own feelings."

Agnes was taken by surprise; but still it was a relief to find that she was spared making the painful disclosure. Her uncle had resolved, with feelings of true delicacy, not to let her know that of which her aunt had informed him regarding the state of her affections; but his heart was so full that it was next to impossible to conceal it.

"I hoped," said he, looking tenderly in her face,

"that we had made you happy amougst us." "You have, dear uncle," said she, rising to his side, and laying her arm on his shoulder as he liked her to read to him. He wept with her; he laid his hand upon of the party; yes, even if her own heart carried away her head as her own father used to do, and drew it ten- with it a deeper anguish. derly to his knee; and thus they both sat for a long

time in suence. "You have been a daughter to me, Agnes," at length he said, " a very daughter. I owe you many pleasant hours. Old man as I am, I have been benefited by your conversation, by your example! I have sometimes thought that, like Abraham, unawares I have entertained an angel. May God Almighty bless you, my child, and reward you better than I can? may He bless with fulfillment every desire of you heart! Tell me, my child, is there snything I can do for you?"

Agnessaid nothing; she clasped her uncle's hand in hers, and pressed it tenderly to her lips; but she could at that moment make no reply.

At length the old man raised himself in his chair, wiped his eyes, gave a husky cough, and showed that he was about to shake off the grief that oppressed

"Now, my love," said he, "let us talk rationally together. Is there anything which your old uncle can

She replied that there was nothing.

"Then you must do something for me," said he; you must not leave immediately; Ada always is engaged; I shall miss you greatly. I cannot part with you all at once; can you not wait yet a month?"

Agnes replied that it was her wish to go sooner. "Well, a week," said he, remembering that his son | it-poor little thing !"

"I will not see a fatherless girl wronged," continued | remained from home so long. I cannot part with you he, without regarding her words, "much less my under a week! and promise me, moreover, that you brother's daughter, and that I can tell you. There's a | will come again to me. I will not fix when; it shall be know the bottom of it-I'll have her in here to your or when you are disposed," added he, wishing to amend the expression; "but for me you cannot come too-

flushed countenance, "am I to be spoken to in this The allusion which her uncle had twice made to the

"And even if you should never come back," said he, " write to me sometimes, and tell me about your brothers; the little fellow that has the Rutherford face, and Arthur. I wish we could have had them here! And hurry, Agnes, for there are few men who are worthy of one of my own children; and if I can make you no bet-

Again Agnes wept; she was questioning with herself whether after all she were justified in leaving him. "I will stay with you a week," said she, "and please God, when Ada is married to Mr. Latimer, and my cousin is married, then if he and his wife will have me for an inmate, I will come and be with you; for as to marrying myself, dearest uncle, I am not likely to do that."

"You shall come and live with me," said he, kissing her tenderly, and looking very much pleased. " I shall keep you to your word, spite of a whole clan of Scots-

The rain, which had now continued for three or four days without much intermission, gave signs of clearing off, and the news that Miss Agnes Lawford was about to leave her uncle's circulated about till it reached the

The very morning after it reached Mr. Latimer, he been trifling with her affections, he need not look for | there just then; one of those we will state. His brother-in-law, Mr. Acton, was a great promoter of floriculture, especially among the people. The cottagers all round him were florists. One of the first things which bedid three years before, when he purchased his little estate and began to lay out his grounds, before his house was built, was to establish in the neighborhood a floricultural society, from which prizes were to be given tothe poor for their best flowers. Since he had resided in the neighborhood, his example had made the thing popular and fashionable also. The flower-shows were pleasant occasions of meeting, and the whole country round society was to hold its first meeting this season, in the a tent was to be erected in the grounds, as a sort of temple of Flora: and cards of invitation had been issued for above a fortnight. There was quite an excitement in that little country world about this occasion, which it was rumored was to be unusually splendid and interesting; and then came the rain and dashed everybody's hopes; the poor man's flowers, the rich people's show, and the whole country's pleasure! But in all cases there is a little cranny for hope to creep in at, and so it was now; people hoped that the weather would change with the change of the moon. The moon changed, and at that very time the most glorious weather began.

The Lawfords had all been invited to dine at the Actons', after the prizes were distributed; and now the ostensible motive of Mr. Latimer's visit had reference to this. The flower-show was in two days; he prophesied, of a certainty, fine weather, and he wished to engage the whole Lawford family to take luncheon at the Hays, as had been arranged on the unfortunate day of the proposed picnic. It was but a very little way out of their direct road, and his manner very clearly showed that he intended to have no refusal. Agnes had not seen him now for several days; the circumstance of the pine-apples being sent to Ada, trivial as it was, had satisfied her that her own imagination had given much greater importance to his attentions on the night of do, "and I shall never forget your affection for me. You the rectory party, than there was any occasion for. as very likely it is, if they are rational people; for where have been like a second father, and parting from you is She was going, she thought, so soon, that even the like a repetition of my first sorrow"-she could not re- prospect of meeting Tom at the Actons'-for Mr. Latistrain her feelings and wept bitterly-she seated her mer brought word that he was coming to London to be self on the low seat beside him, on which she sat to there-did not deter her from the wish to be this once

Mr. Latimer was in high spirits-very high. He spoke of Agnes' departure with surprise, but not at all with the air of one who was much interested in it. Ada thanked him for the pine-spples, and he was delighted, that she was pleased with them. Agnes inquired after the poor invalid in the caravan; he said that she was better, and would certainly recover; that that extraordinary preacher whom he had described the other evening. was preaching in the neighboring villages with very remarkable effect; that he seemed wonderfully attached to the beautiful child at the caravan. and that he himself had met him out on his little preaching excursions, with the child in his arms. Marchmont, he said, extraordinary as it might seem. appeared really quite a reformed man. He had been told, he said, by his gardener, how much astonishment this change in him had occasioned in the neighborhood, and that he had been to Leicester and taken the Temperance Pledge. He intended, he said, himself to have some talk with the preacher when he next came to Merley, or wherever he might meet with him. He said. that he should like Agnes to see that beautiful child; in fact, he should like them all to see it.

"It must be that little foundling child of ours!" exclaimed Ada, suddenly struck with the idea; "that peor foundling which Mrs. Marchment adopted. I told you of it the other evening," said Ada; "we must see

of the whole year. It was all the more beautiful for the rain, said every one; and yet the day before had been so warm and bright, that all moisture seemed gone from the surface of the earth, so that even the most delicate lady need not fear to soil her satin slipper.

After breakfast, when everyone was alive with the thoughts of the day's pleasure, old Mr. Lawtord surprised them all by saying, that he had half a mind to go with them, at least as far as the Hays. Dear old heads. man! he wanted to have as much as he could of Agnes' company during the short remainder of her stay; but he did not say so; he only said, that as the day was so fine, and the carriage so easy, and his gout so much better, and as he could have his air-cushions and goutstool, he did not see that the fatigue would be much more than that of his bath-chair; certainly it would

not! Everynody was delighted; it would please Mr. Lat- at the same moment, whether they seemed nice boys, imer so very much; if he were tired he might stop at the Hays, and they would call for him in the evening. So they might, said he; but he thought that he very likely should go on as far as Mr. Acton's; he had never seen his cottage since it was finished. He said nothing elect, although he thought of it; nor did Mrs. Colville- appearance. for even she, on this morning so auspicuous to everyone, seemed quite disposed to avoid giving pain-" And if," added he old gentleman, suddenly thinking that I'm glad I never cry I' perhaps seeing his son under such circumstances would be painful to her, "I should take it into my head to stop at the Hays till you return, Agnes, if she like, can stop with me. The Hays is a fine place, and to me it seems more like a dream!" Again she em-

"Bless me! what can be the meaning of this!" ex- were her brothers, and that thus they met!

Amessenger rode over from the Hays with Mr. Lat-

claimed Mrs. Colville, startled out of her usual quiet "Do you know," said Harry, with glowing cheeks, decorum. The young ladies went up to dress; the carriage was edition, all beautifully bound? Come, I'll show you

ordered out; and dear old Mr. Lawford, quite talkative | them.' Mr. Lawford required with his lame foot, caused girl, for all you said just now!" might accompany Mr. and Mrs. Sam in their phaeton. don't you think Mr. Tom Lawford is a nice fellow, and Fortunately the rector and his lady were going to drive Mr. Latimer?" to Merley Park, to call on the Bridports, before they "And who do you think we saw last night?" exdoor, and they just setting out.

"I wonder what Latimer means by sending for you truly Mr. Jeffkins, and nobody else?" so much earlier," said Mr. Sam. "But it's lucky you "He was so astonished to see us," said Harry, taking

been too late."

carriage, and drive at once to the Hays, that they might just mounted up to look over, and what should we see

its trees and its chimneys from a distance, and it was you, and we told him you were coming here in the not without a certain trilling at her heart that she saw morning, and you did not know that we were here, and them drive in through the old gray lodge gates into the you were going to be so surprised !" park-like grounds that surrounded the house. 'Agnes' | "And did you tell him?" asked Agnes anxiously, state of mind on this day was something like that of a "that you had been in town with Mr. Tom Lawford?" drunkard, who, seeing a carouse has begun, determines, reckless of consequences, to make a night of it. This about it, and everything." was the last time she should see Mr. Latimer, this was the first time she had been at his home. There was a little romance for her heart; and, if she indulged it, let no moralist blame her too severely.

And now they got glimpses of the old, red brick den." house, with its gray stone quoigns and window-heads, . "And it is such a lovely garden," said Harry, "and and its stacks of handsome cross-banded chimness, there are such flowers!" that gave character and dignity to the whole edifice. "First of all," said Agnes, "I must take you to my All was quiet and substantial, with an air of old, uncle and my cousin Ada;" and with a brother on solid family-pride about it, that accorded with the long each arm, and a countenance beaming with love and stretches of lawn scattered over with well-grown and happiness, she presented them to her relations. astonished to see the old gentleman, gave him such a ford.

earlier than had at first been named; and they were destined to wonder even more, for, scarcely were they seated in the handsome morning room, when Mr. Latimer, taking Agnes' hand, with a most peculiar expression of countenance, said, "Permit me!" and then led her out of the room.

warm welcome they all had!

"What is the meaning of this?" said everyone who

remained. "Permit me ?" again said Mr. Latimer to Agnes, who, astonished and almost terrified, looked at him with wondering eyes. But nothing more was needed-the library door burst open, and two boys at once caught Agnes in their arms

"Here we are!" exclaimed they: "aren't you surprised?

You never thought to find us here !"

Poor Agnes I nor did she indeed; and with these exclamations they drew their astonished sister with them into the library, and shut the door.

were; and not fearing to obtain consent from every- reality of life lay like a barren desert before her ! one he ventured, as the time was short, to write at | The kindness which Tom Lawford had shown to her once for them-and their being here would prevent brothers, made it now no longer difficult for Agnes to Miss Agnes leaving Lawford so soon.

The day of the flower-show came; the loveliest day | Poor old Mr. Lawford was quite affected, he wiped his eyes, and, offering his hand to Mr. Latimer, shook his cordially-"This was worth coming out to hear! and you have done me a great pleasure!" said he.

Mr. Latimer smiled on the kind-hearted old gentleman, and told him farther, that his son, Mr. Tom Lawford, who was returning from London for this flowershow, had promised to take charge of them; in fact, he said. Tom had had the boys with him two or three days in London, and they had almost turned one another's

"How charming," said Ada, "and how much it will please Agnes, and how very thoughtful it was of you!" Again old Mr. Lawford was seen to wipe his eyes. "Thank you, Mr. Latimer," again said he; and, taking up the former idea, added, "and I don't think that now she will leave us so soon. It is a pity she is going at all, is it not?"

But he received no answer, for Mrs. Colville inquired,

these brothers of Agnes.

"How poorly you are looking, Agnes dear!" said Harry, with his arm on her shoulder, as they all three sat together on a sofa in the library; " I thought that you would be looking quite rosy with living in the about shaking hands with his new daughter-in-law- country," said he, as if a little disappointed with her

> "There, now, tears are in her eyes again !" exclaimed Arthur: "I never saw such a girl in all my life; when

"I know you don't," said Agnes, again smiling, and clasping them both to her heart; "but this is so unlooked for, so very kind, I really know not what to saywe can get into the garden, or sit in the library; it's a braced them. She made them stand up before her, and fine room, and Mr. Latimer has the largest collection of go to a distance; she looked at them behind and before; books, and the best selection too the neighborhood!" she laid her hand on their heads to see if they were grown; she saw how well they looked, how happy; she imer's compliments, and begged, as the morning was saw the resemblance in them to her father and her mo- tured to touch it.

"that Mr. Latimer has all papa's works—the very best

with his impromptu pleasure trip, took his seat with "Never mind books now !" said Arthur. "Let's have his gout-stool and his air-cushions, by the side of Mrs. your bennet off! There's a sweet sister! Now you Colville, who looked quite gracious. The space which look better," said he, "Oh, Harry, she's a very pretty

there to be no room for Agnes. She therefore Harry wanted to justify himself, but Arthur was imwas obliged to go down to the rectory, that she patient to hear about the people at Lawford,-"And

went to the Hays, and therefore the carriage was at the claimed Arthur, leaving his sister no chance of talking herself. "Why, we saw Mr. Jeffkins-positively and

came when you did, or in five minutes you would have advantage of a little pause which his brother had made. "There's a little sort of common just by, and a sort of Mrs. Sam proposed that they should join her father's ladder-stile, which leads over the park fence to it; we understand this mysterious hastening of the party; but poor Mr. Jeffkins, sitting among the heath, reading Agnes had never been to the Hays; she had only seen | could hardly believe his eyes. He asked a deal about | atonement | I wish that they were worthier."

"Yes, we did," returned Harry, "we told him all

"And what did he say?" inquired she. "Oh, I don't know-nothing particular."

"Now, don't let us sit here all day," said Arthur; "this middle window opens-I know all over the gar-

brought out Mr. Latimer himself, who, delighted and gentlemanly, and that Harry was a complete Ruther- much truer.

cordial welcome as did his heart good. And what a Mr. Latimer's eyes followed Agnes wherever she went; and a much less interested observer than either Ida or Everybody wondered why they were come a full hour her aunt would have seen at a glance that he was a deeply enamored lover. Some little consciousness of his marked attention very soon forced itself upon her: and then Ada's quiet manner and thoughtful countenance fixed it deeper on her mind.

"I am doomed unwittingly and unwillingly to be a trouble to them all," thought she, "and what atonement am I ever to make to Ada, if this really be so ?" She was now angry with herself, for having permitted her heart to indulge in one truant fancy. "Every weakness, every error," said she to herself, " brings its own reward of sorrow, and of repentance !"

In the meantime, Mr. Latimer was neither negligent nor indifferent towards Ada: nothing could be more courteous or even friendly, than his behavior to her; but she saw plainly, as she had seen before, that she had Mr. Latimer explained to his guests his extraordinary no longer empire in his heart. The very circumstance conduct: he wished, he said, to give Miss Agnes Law- for which the whole party was brought there an hour ford a pleasure. He had perceived her great affection | earlier was to give Agues pleasure. It was to Ada the for her brothers: the poor boys had nowhere to go in complete bursting of the golden bubble; the Juta morthe holidays : he knew the gentleman with whom they oung of love had all vanished, and the cold and hard

meet him. What a wonderful virtue there is in kind-

ness. She did not even express a wish to stay at the Hays, although her uncle preferred doing so. He was afraid, he said, of the ten miles farther; so he was carefully cushioned in an easy chair in the library and left to take his nap and amuse himself till dinner. when Mr. Latimer promised him that his old acquaintance, the Vicar of Merley, should come and dine with him, promising that on their way to the Actons' he would call at the vicarage, to make this arrangement for him. Agnes and her brothers, who were not to be divided, were to be driven in Mr. Latimer's carriage. and Mr. Latimer himself wis to accompany Ada and her aunt. The arrangement catwardly seemed good and satisfactory.

A great deal of company had already arrived at the cottage; nothing could look gayer, or more beautiful than the grounds; and the cavalry band, which was a very good one, played at intervals. It was quite a fairyland scene. The grounds at the cottage were extensive, and laid out in the finest taste; there was wood and water within their boundary, and ample space for rambling and solitude here and there, fit for any love-scene

whatever. With her brothers at her side, Agnes felt not the slightest embarrassment in meeting her cousin; the most friendly understanding seemed to exist between them. She thanked him for all the kindness he had shown to her brothers; he praised her brothers as the most interesting and intelligent lads he had ever seen. In the course of the afternoon, however, Tom took an opportunity of sending the boys to row a littla boat across the lake, and then asked Agnes to walk with him to see them. It was the quietest and most secluded walk in the whole demesne which Tom took her, and she leaned on his arm quite familiarly. At length Agnes ventured to express to him the pleasure his proposed alliance with Miss Bolton gave her-the subject was a delicate one, but still she ven-

so fine, they would be with him as early as possible. ther; and she thanked God, with a full heart, that they it "I dare say," said he, "it seems to you a strangely hurried affair; and so it is-but it is all right. The only fault is, that Henrietta is too good for me; and so were you, dear Agnes," said he: "God knows how I want still to have a deal of talk with you. They tell me you are going-I am sorry for it; if, however, it is on my account, I promise you in no way to displease or annoy. you. You are very dear to me, Agnes-and your visit in our family has had a strange induence on me; but I think I told you that before. But however, Agnes, go where you may, I shall always be your friend; and if I am ever worthy of Henrietta it is owing to you-I have told her so already-and my prayer is, that you may meet with a husband more worthy of you than I am, and who may love you as well as I should have done ;"

"Do not let us talk so, dear cousin," said Agnes, "but we will always be triends."

"That we will," said Tom, emphatically. "And there is a foolish little thing, which I must mention to you," said he. "I gave you those jet ornaments-I had been foolish enough to make, your wearing them or not; an omen for my heart, on that evening of my sister's party. I was very disagreeable that night to you. I was disappointed and annoyed; but, however, that is past. And and thus it was decided. He was so astonished, he looked as if he now will you accept those ornaments from me, as an

"If it were only a rosebud," said Agnes, quite touched by his conduct, " I would treasure it for your

"Here, then," said Tom, "the subject ends forever "It does," returned Agnes, "but we are friends for-

Ada and Mr. Latimer walked arm in arm up and down the long shadowy pleached walk that ran the whole length of the garden. People saw them and avoided the walk, for all the world believed them to be lovers. But their conversation, whatever it might be, only left Ada graver and more thoughtful; the true feelings of her heart, however, were concealed under her coldest and proudest demeanor. She received everywhere the homage of her beauty, and George Bridport, who would only have been too happy to have carried her lap-dog, was ten times over her slave. The world said, however, almost venerable trees. And now the first carriage | Everyone sympathized with her. Ada was charmed that Ada Lawford was not in her most amiable humor drew up at the door, and out came a grave servant to with the boys, and so was her father; and Mrs. Colville that day. If it had said that a blight had fallen on receive them. The sight of Mr. Lawford, however, remarked that Arthur was certainly both handsome and her youth and her life that day, it would have been

"What two handsome boys these are!" exclaimed many a one as they saw Arthur and Harry, with their bright and joyous countenances, which bore in their characteristic difference of expression, a resemblance to morning and evening.

"These are Mr. Frank Lawford's sons," said one to another, among the company, "and that young lady in mourning, is his daughter.'

" How interesting looking they are !" was the reply; and for the sake of Mr. Frank Lawford, with his worldwidening reputation, people wished to notice them ; She determined through the rest of the day to avoid and many a poor man, too poor to buy his works, but him; to remain with her brothers, to occupy herself who had known them well by newspaper extracts, or with them, and to make of them her shield and defense, by some stray well-worn volume, which had fallen into their hands, and thenceforth became a text-book to their little circle, looked after them with a sentiment, more akin to reverence, than if they had been the queen's own offspring.

In the evening, when the company was all gone, and dinner was over, and coffee had been sipped, and people had chatted, and talked over all the affairs of the day, Mrs. Colville who, she hardly knew why, was not quite satisfied with several things, began to be impatient to return. The boys, however, were out; and Tom, who was to return with them to the Hall, was not to be found; and then, when they were found, it was discovered that Agnes and Mr. Latimer were missing.

It was just like collecting a stray flock of sheep. "You see how reluctant our friends are to leave na." said Mrs. Actor, smiling. "I wish you would follow

can explain it all to you.

their example."

But Mrs. Colville could neither smile nor follow their example: besides which, and that was very unpleasant to her. Mrs. Acton seemed so provokingly indifferent about having her brother and Agnes sought after. They could not be far off, she said; they would soon be making their appearance, and it really was very early.

At length Harry, to whom Mrs. Colville appealed, said that he had seen them down by the waterside, just when he and his brother were bringing up the boat to the shore—that was half a mile off, he said, and he should not wonder if they were there still.

It was proposed to send Harry to seek him; and then, just at that very moment, in walked Agnes and Mr. Latimer following her. Everybody's eyes were upon them. It looked very suspicious, but no one said

anything; the carriages were waiting.

Tom rode on horseback; and the party returned to the Hays according to the arrangement of the morning. Before they drove off from the cottage, Ada heard Mrs. Acton beg of Agnes to come and spend some time with her before she left the country; she would have, she said, her brothers there, and she was sure that they sion, seated herself on the sofa beside her. could make the time pass very pleasantly. Whatever Agnes' answer might be, Ada did not hear it. Mr. Latimer with great courtesy begged to hand her to the carriage, and Agnes was left to Mr. and Mrs. Acton. who seemed overflowing with kindness to her. It seemed almost as if Agnes had supplanted her with these old friends.

The boys talked all the way they went; nothing could equal the flow of their spirits. It was well for Agnes that they were all-sufficient for themselves, for she had more to think of that evening than she had

ever had to think of before.

Mr. Latimer had asked her to go and see an evening primrose of remarkable beauty; and then perhaps forgetting the flower altogether, he had led her on and on into the far shrubbery, where, without preamble of any kind, he had made such a straight-forward, candid, and manly declaration of love as left the question for whom were his attentions no longer in doubt.

Oh, if Agnes could only have acted from the impulses of her own heart how easy would have been the answer; but a sense of honor, and of delicacy towards her cousin, made the answer which her heart dictated im-

possible.

She hesitated; she would not speak a falsehood; she dared not speak the truth. She felt exactly as Mrs. Colville had always done, that Mr. Latimer was not a man to be trifled with; but how was she to explain even her hesitation without betraying her cousin?

"I was told," at length she said, " even before I came to Lawford, that you were engaged to my Cousin Ada: and, to speak the truth, I have always regarded you as

destined for her."

"There was a time," replied Mr. Latimer, "I will not deny it, when my heart pleaded very warmly for Ada; but in her I found not all that I required in a wife. Two years absence from England confirmed still more my earlier opinions regarding women. I returned cured of my passion, which, for some time before I left, I had sufficient reason to consider hopeless. I returned were almost an insult to say even that I love you, and sobered in many respects, and two years older in feeling. The very day after my return I met you; you were the realization of all my hopes and requirings; since that moment my mind has never wavered, nor doubted the wisdom of its choice. I know my own character, Agnes, and I believe also that I know something of yours enough, at least, to convince me that we are in all respects suited to each other; we have tastes and feelings in common, the same views in life. Where then is the cause for demur or doubt?"

"It is," said Agnes, "like pleading against my own happiness; almost like ingratitude to Heaven to oppose what you say. But do not require from me at this moment a definite answer; I was not prepared for this. I feel that much is to be considered-weighed. There are many masequences which I can forsee, and which I

dread. I feel as if this were a happiness not meant for me, and which I have no right to."

"Enough, enough!" said Latimer, well pleased by what she had said: "for I know after this, and of a certainty, that you will be my own dear Agnes; permit me only to speak to your uncle."

In the hands of Mr. Latimer it seemed to Agnes as if it would be hurried on too fast.

"No, no," said she, peremptorily, "my answer is not an assent. You not what you are about-much, very much is yet to be thought of. I cannot tell what my uncle would say-I know not even what he ought to do regarding it. No one, not even myself, has been prepared for this."

Such an interview as this might well make both Agnes and Mr. Latimer silent in their respective carriages

on their drive back to the Hays.

"How remarkably silent-almost stupid Mr. Latimer is to-night," whispered Mrs. Colville to Ada, as they eat in the carriage at the door of the Hays, waiting for Mr. Lawford, who was now to join them. Mr. Latimer brought out the old gentleman, who seemed amazingly merry; the old vicar was with him, and they seemed quite reluctant to part. He was assisted into the carriage; his gout-stool and his air-cushions were settled to mis mind.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Colville had driven home immediately after dinner, and now Agnes had to return home in the rumble behind the carriage. The boys found it very amusing to help her up to her seat : Mr. Latimer offered her his hand at parting—the very touch

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thrilled her to the heart. "Good-night! good-night!" rang from the lips of

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"Do; there are good fellows!" returned Mr. Lawford, and the carriage drove away.

CHAPTER XX.

THE day was ended; an important day to three of our party. Every one, even Mr. Lawford, seemed tired, and all immediately retired for the night.

Agnessat in her chamber a full hour after midnight yet dressed, pondering with an anxious and deeply fore- have no one's pity, Agnes-the world is to know nothing boding mind on the decided turn which events had taken, again the door opened which divided her bedroom from her cousin's, and Ada, pale as marble, and be your bridesmaid. And now, one thing more, and I looking almost as rigid, stood in the doorway, and said in a sad and solemn voice, "Come into this room; I have something to say to you !"

With somewhat the feeling of a criminal, and yet with a heart ready almost to give up life for her sake, Agnes obeyed; and, as she had done on a former occa-

"I have much to say to you," said Ada; "much which concerns your peace and mine, and the sooner it is said the better. You have proved yourself worthy of my confidence; you never betrayed my former confession even to Mr. Latimer. I thank you I you have not caused me to lose my own self-respect. A weak character, with your generous feelings, thinking to have served me with Mr. Latimer, would have betrayed me to him. How much I thank you for not having done so! Had Mr. Latimer's heart inclined to me, even in the smallest degree, no confession of any kind would have been needed; as it did not, such a confession must only have been humiliating to me. The time when he could become attached to me, has long been passed; I cherished false hopes, and like every other false thing they punished their possessor. I must bear the punishment because I doubt not my former folly deserved it. For you a better lot is in store, because you have deserved it. Do not interrupt me, Agnes,' said she, seeing her cousin about to speak. "I am in no humor, I assure you, for bandying about complimente; and I say nothing but the bareat truth tonight. Let me speak, and do not interrupt me, for I have as much upon my heart as it will bear!

"I have for some time suspected," continued she, "that I had no longer any hold upon Mr. Latimer's heart : but that which we hold dear as life, we part with reluctantly. To-day has set the question at rest. Mr. Latimer has declared his love to you; do not deny

"I do not deny it!" said Agnes.

"And you love him: neither can you deny that!" Both remained silent; anguish oppressed the hearts of both; but for the one there was hope, for the other none; and yet at that moment, it would have been hard to say which suffered the most.

"I could almost wish," said Agnes, at length, "that I had never come to Lawford; I have been like a dark cloud between you and your happiness. I feel as if it

yet I would give up all for you!"

"You must love me still," said Ada; "deprived of your affection I should be very forlorn. You must love me still! you must not desert me, for my heart has suffered shipwreck! But I am not going to make a spectacle of myself," said she, speaking in her natural tone; "I want no one's pity. You have proved to me how well you deserve my confidence, and therefore I place still more, still greater confidence in you. Do not regret that you came amongst us. I have found in you the realization of that high principle, and that singlehearted goodness which your father's works teach, and I have learned more from you even than from them."

These words seemed to humble Agnes; she felt as if she must sink down at Ada's feet; but, feeling that words and actions at that time expressed so little, she answered her only by silence, which is often so expres-

"I have gone through a great deal," continued Ada, "as you may believe; a great deal in a very short time. This day-what has it not revealed to me, what has it not taught me! And Agnes, in the same way as my heart feels warmly, my mind decides rapidly. My plans are all formed; the line of conduct which I must pursue is already marked out, and I have already entered upon it. Late as it was, I had just returned from an interview with my father when I came to you."

"With your father," repeated Agnes, both amazed and alarmed.

"I told him;" continued Ada, " what I had discovered of Mr. Latimer's sentiments towards you; and I have

won from him his entire approbation." The generosity of this conduct, knowing what selfsacrifice it involved, overpowered Agnes. She covered her face with her hands, and wept; inwardly beseeching God to bless, and strengthen, and comfort one who

had acted so unselfishly, so nobly. "Ah, Ada i" said Agnes, "how much more noble, how much more admirable are you than I! and yet, I will not denv it," said she, " I, too, was capable of making a sacrifice for you. Let me confess also, I wished to leave Lawford that I might not interfere with your happiness! I now feel poor, in that I can do nothing for

"You can do much for me!" returned Ada. "A time will come when I, perhaps, may not be as strong as now am; a time when I may say, even as Christ did, let this cup pass from me! then, he you the angel that will stand by me and strengthen me !" ...

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"I have formed plane, as I told you," continued Ada, "which will require strength to carry out. I shall go to India to my brother; he loves me tenderly; we shall be dear to each other as husband and wife. The preparations for this long journey, a journey which has many attractions for me, and which, under happier circumstances, would be very seductive to my imagination, will be very useful to me-will take me out of myself-will, in fact, be my salvation. I shall now, Ada exchanged not a word with her cousin; but, as from this time, look to India as to my home, and center the true love of my heart upon my brother. I will but that it is my pleasure or my whim to go abroad. will see you married before I leave, and I myself will have done-keep in the innermost recesses of your heart the knowledge of that which I did for Mr. Latimer's sake. It is enough that the benefit of that discipline of mind, the blessing of your father's teaching. through his works, will be my reward, and will support me, by the blessing of God, through every trial and every sorrow! And now, good-night!"

> "I shall not leave you," said Agnes, " until I have seen your head upon your pillow."

> Ada consented. Agnes smoothed for her the pillow. and laid her throbbing temples upon it; and then, drawing the curtains, sat down beside her till she

> It was a feverish and disturbed sleep, and was the precursor of a long and sad sickness. We, however, will not dwell upon it. The most untiring love and devotion watched by her and tended her; and youth, and youth's strength, bore her through it.

> Three months afterwards, in the month of September, she sat, for the first time, once more in the little library at tea with her father. Poor old gentleman! how glad he was to see her again beside him! Neither he nor the world knew exactly what was the cause of her great illness. Many people supposed that she had taken cold at the flower-show. Mrs. Colville strenuously supported this idea; Ada, she said, was delicate. the ground was damp after the great rains that there had been, and that dear Ada's illness was no more than she expected. Some people have such certain foreknowledge of everything !

It was not known, beyond the immediate members of the Lawford and Latimer families, for some months, that Mr. Latimer was the betrothed lover of the niece instead of the daughter of the old squire. People were very much astonished when this knowledge first began to circulate among them; but it was singular how very soon everybody was satisfied that it was quite in the proper order of things; and this was only the more strengthened, because the whole family, and even Ada herself, seemed well pleased. But greater still was their astonianment, when the news went abroad that Ada was going out to India, although not until after the two marriages, that of her brother Tom and of her cousin Agnes, were celebrated.

And what said Mrs. Colville and her coadjutor, Mrs. Sam, all this time? They said enough for everybody else, had they all been silent; but then they had sense enough to express very little dissatisfaction to the world, seeing that they whom it most concerned had settled all so resolutely before they were consulted.

"When my sweet Ada is gone," Mrs. Colville, however, said to her acquaintance, "and my nephew has brought home his new wife, I shall leave the Hall. do not know what will become of my poor brother when I am gone," said she; "but, new men, new measures; and my brother is not what he used to be. Poor man! he has taken strange crotchets into his head. He talks of sending for that preaching fellow, Jeff kins to the Hall-I hope, by the bye, that he is no relation to that creature who lived with Mrs. Sam ! and he has actually had that child there that Mrs. Marchmont took out of the work-house, and has been sending Mrs. Marchmont jellies and such things! Poor man! his mind is certainly sadly impaired; it is my opinion that he hardly knows what he does : however, I leave all that-for there will be a change, I know, when the mistress comes !

"And then, at the Hays, what a change, to be sure! and, between you and me, I do not think Mr. Latimer at all improved by his two years' absence from England; he has been in the West Indies among the slaves, and in America among the democrats, and he has brought home some extraordinary notions: and he is, with all his great abilities, a dogged, determined man, whom there is no turning. I have very much altered my opinion about Mr. Latimer! However, that is neither here nor there; and I am told that new furniture is ordered for the drawing-room. He has had a London upholsterer and decorator down, and is laying out a deal of money; and yet he gets not a penny with his wife ! Poor Ada's picture, that she leaves Agnes as her parting present, is to hang there. They have all been and chosen the place. It seemed to me-God knows why ! -as if they were going to choose the place where she was to be buried! a beautiful picture she makes! We have had Pickersgill down for a whole month; he paints one for her father, too, and I must have a haudsome ministure. A beautiful creature she is, only a little paler than she was; and so cheerinl-it's quite wonderful! But she's a real angel; and it is a pity that she must leave old England !

"And then I hear, too, that Mr. Frank Lawford's widow is to come out of Scotland to see her daughter ford to-morrow!" We shall come up to Law. Agnes folded her cousin in her arms, and wept on married. Bless me! who would have thought of her bosom.

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